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SOUTHERN TRAIN WRECK TOLL ESTABLISHED AT 18

GOODFELLOWS SWAMPED IN WORK TODAY

Fund Reached Total of $826 Today as Fellows Work



The Goodfellow Club is winding up its work today and is trying very hard to see that every poor child in Dixon gets a very happy Christmas.

In fact, the Committee is so busy that it does not even have much time to tell you about it. The Goodfellow fund continues to grow. The employes of the Reynolds Wire Company brought in $51.00 this morning. They raised the fund by passing the hat through the factory. With the $10 given by the foremen and $50.00 from the Company, the Reynolds Wire donations are close to $100.

Dixon is full of Goodfellows and they are generous, as the totals of the fund show. It should also be remembered that there are many Goodfellows doing splendid work whose names do not appear on the list. They are generous-hearted folk who have asked the Goodfellow Club to give them the names of one or more families and they are supplying those families with a fine Christmas.

Fund at Noon Today

The fund at noon today was:

F. F. G. Club	7.00
Friend of the Children	1.00
R. L. Warner	5.00
Ella N. Herbst	1.00
Reynolds Wire Employes	31.00
Mrs. Howard Johnson	1.00
Friend	1.00
Musicians Union, A. F. of M.	5.00
Kendall Club	5.00
Betty Haines	1.00
Kenneth Haines	1.00
Friend	2.00
PICK UP LIST	
Church, Franklin Grove	2.00
W. A. Schuler	10.00
H. M. May	5.00
Friend	1.00
Gerald Jones	5.00
Floyd G. Eno	5.00
Snow White Bakery	5.00
Dr. McGraham	2.00
Georgiana Shaw	1.00
Jean and Nancy Murray	2.00
Mrs. R. E. Miller, Compton, Ill	5.00
Friend	5.00
Merna Suter	1.00
Helen Saunders	1.00
Thos. J. Burke	2.00
Chas. H. Johnson	5.00
May E. Lord	1.00
James, Ray, Jr. and Bobby Kline	3.00
Mrs. Ada Watkins	5.00
E. N. Howell Hardware Co.	5.00
Seventh Grade E. C. Smith School	4.00
Dixon Bottling Co.	2.00
Reynolds Wire Co. Foremen	10.00
Howell and Page	10.00
Reynolds Wire Company	50.00
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. McKenny	2.00
Brown Shoe Co. Welfare Assn.	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Horrell	5.00
Dixon Commandery No. 21	

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High Spots in News of Today in The Telegraph

Goodfellows busy today playing Santa Claus as fund mounts of $826. Page 1

Christmas spirit invades County Court as Judge Leech lets Sterling man, arrested for driving car while drunk, go home to spend Christmas with his family; must return Jan. 3. Page 1

Two automobiles reported stolen here last night. Page 1

Family reunions and dinners will feature Christmas in Dixon homes. Page 13

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Passenger on one of wrecked trains described tragic scene. Page 13

Emperor of Japan died on Christmas day. Page 1

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Aurora woman, playing Santa Claus at neighbor's home, finds three children overcome by gas. Page 1

One of Army's Pan-American flight planes forced down by burned out motor. Page 1

Ty Cobb counters by accusing American league officials with paying to keep details of charges against him and Speaker quiet. Sport news. Page 10

Santa is Warned to Put on His Rubber Elastics

Chicago, Dec. 24.—(AP) — Santa Claus was warned by the Chicago weather bureau to substitute rubber tired wheels for his sleigh runners when he descends upon the city tonight. If the change also necessitates replacing his reindeer with a gasoline motor he better dose it liberally with anti-freeze mixture.

Clear, no snow and a cold wave was the forecast and there is no snow upon the ground.

"Its the best I can do," said Forecaster C. A. Donnell, a bit sadly, for his words meant disappointment to thousands of kiddies.

Baby Buggy is Badly Needed by Poor Woman

Any owner of a discarded baby buggy, can make a poor Dixon woman happy and her life easier, by making her a present of the perambulator. The Goodfellows Club have discovered a home where such a gift would be especially welcome and is sending out the apepal for such.

Judge William L. Leech went to Oregon this morning to preside in the Ogle county court in the absence of Judge Leon Zick.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN DIED ON CHRISTMAS

Pneumonia Fatal After Long and Hard Battle for Life

Tokio, Dec. 25 —(AP)— Emperor Yoshihito of Japan, died of pneumonia at 1:25 a. m. today.

Yoshihito's condition became desperate at 12:25 a. m. His respiration was 84, his pulse too fast to be counted. Rattling in his windpipe was noticeable. The numerous physicians who had attended him for a fortnight did everything possible for the monarch, but his condition was seen to be hopeless.

Crown Prince Hirohito who has been regent since November, 1921, succeeds to the throne, becoming Japan's 124th emperor.

123rd male successor to the Imperial throne of Japan, was born August 31, 1879, and on his eighth birthday was nominated by his father, Mutsuhito, as the heir apparent of the "Son of Heaven."

Emperor Yoshihito was the third son of Yanigawara, a handmaid, one of the eight princesses of noble blood who became members of the household of Emperor Mutsuhito when it was seen that no heir was to be expected of the Empress Haruko.

Crowned in 1915.

He was crowned Nov. 9, 1915, 28 years after his nomination as heir apparent and three years after the death of his father. For a while he took a vigorous interest in the affairs of his office and enjoyed several forms of outdoor sports, but reports were

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WEATHER

ALL WORK AND NO PLAY MAKES JACK—BUT TIRES YOU OUT.



FRIDAY, DEC. 24, 1926

By Associated Press Leased Wire

Illinois: Generally fair tonight and Saturday; colder tonight, moderate cold wave in east portion; slightly warmer Saturday afternoon in northwest portion.

Chicago and Vicinity: Generally fair tonight and Saturday; much colder tonight moderate cold wave; lowest temperature near 10 above zero, continued cold Saturday; moderate to fresh northwest winds; shifting to west or southwest Saturday.

Wisconin: Generally fair tonight and Saturday, colder tonight in east portion; moderate cold wave in extreme east portions rising temperature Saturday in west and central portions.

Iowa: Fair tonight followed by increasing cloudiness Saturday; slightly colder tonight in southeast and rising temperature in west portion; rising temperature Saturday.

FORECAST FOR NEXT WEEK

Region of the Great Lakes and Upper and Lower Missouri Valleys: Frequent alterations in temperature and occasional precipitation.

WOMAN FOUND DEAD; TOWEL TWISTED TIGHTLY AROUND NECK, IN COUNCIL BLUFFS

Council Bluffs, Iowa, Dec. 24—(AP)—With a towel twisted tightly around the neck the body of Mrs. J. E. Berard, 40, of this place, was found shoved behind the furnace of her home here last night. Police are looking for a "Mr. Williams" known to have visited her during the afternoon. The husband says he knows of no "Mr. Williams" with whom his wife was acquainted.

All available men at the police and sheriff's office have been assigned to the case, but practically no progress has been made toward solution of the mystery. Robert Moore, a roomer at the Berard home, came in during the afternoon and saw Mrs. Berard talking to a man whom she introduced to Moore as Mr. Williams. Moore says he doubts if he would be able to identify the mythical Williams.

Two daughters returned home but not finding their mother, left the house, one going Christmas shopping and the other to meet the father, a telegraph operator at the Burlington station. They returned home together and found the body of Mrs. Berard.

Japan's Ruler Died on Holiday After Long Illness



ASSOCIATED PRESS (UNDERWOOD)
YOSHIHITO

Pneumonia was fatal to Yoshihito, Emperor of Japan, at 1:25 this morning. His son, Crown Prince Hirohito succeeds to the throne.

PART OF ARMY'S AIR ARGOSY NOW IN MEXICO PORT

One of Planes Forced Temporarily Out of Flight by Mishap

Vera Cruz, Dec. 24.—(AP)—The crew of the airplane San Francisco, Captain Ira C. Eawer and Lieut. M. D. Fairchild, today found themselves the vanguard of the U. S. Army Pen-American goodwill flying expedition.

The only one of the five planes to get away from Tampiso, the San Francisco arrived over this port last night.

Captain Eaker and his companion were lodged in a hotel for the night.

Festivities arranged for the squadron were postponed until arrival of the other planes.

NEW MOTOR SHIPPED.

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 24.—(AP)—A Liberty motor and other spare parts for an amphibian plane were sent to Tampic, Mexico from Duncan Field here today in response to a telegram from Major H. A. Dargue, commander of the Army's Pan-American flight.

A broken oil pump on the St. Louis was the chief difficulty at Tampico, according to messages received here from Major Dargue. The telegrams said that the New York, Detroit and San Antonio probably will hop to Vera Cruz today and the St. Louis will follow as soon as the parts arrive installed

CHRISTMAS JOY IN MURRAY HOME BECOMES SORROW

Death of Daughter on Eve of Holiday is Crushing Blow

This is a sad Christmas at the Dixon State Hospital, because little Nancy Murray, ten year old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Warren G. Murray, died this morning. Nancy, beautiful and sweet and charming, was the idol of the whole institution and a favorite in her class at school. The news of her death, spreading rapidly over Dixon this morning, has taken the happiness out of Christmas in hundreds of homes.

Nancy had been ill with mumps for several weeks but it was not until last Saturday night that her condition became alarming. A gland in the throat became affected and an abcess developed. The little girl made a brave battle for her life and the physicians in attendance made heroic efforts to save her. Three physicians have been in constant attendance and every resource of medical and surgical science was called upon.

To Dr. and Mrs. Murry and Jean, Nancy's sister, the heart of this entire community goes out in deepest sympathy in the oss of their dear little girl.

The funeral will be held Monday morning at 10 o'clock at the state hospital. Father George Carlton Story will have charge of the services and interment will be in Oakwood Cemetery.

Two Autos Stolen in Dixon Last Eve

Two automobiles were reported stolen over night and the police recovered one of the machines about midnight. George Mathias reported last evening that his Chevrolet coach was taken from Ottawa avenue just north of First street, where he had parked it. Some time later the police found the machine in "Lover's Lane" east of the city, where the tires and some of the mechanism had been removed.

H. L. Annas, district representative for the Chevrolet Motors Company, this morning reported that the Chevrolet coupe which he drives on his territory, was stolen some time during the night from the parking place just east of the Hotel Dixon. The car bore an Illinois dealer's license, 500 and the company's name was painted prominently on both sides. Police were making a search for the car in this vicinity today.

Chimney Fire Last Night at Mrs. Dysart's Home

The fire department was summoned to the residence of Mrs. Collins Dysart, 319 Crawford avenue, last evening at 7:30 to extinguish a fire which had started from an overheated chimney. The blaze was extinguished without damage or loss to the property.

Pawnbroker Wounded by Negro Burglar thsi Morn

East St. Louis, Ill., Dec. 24—(AP)—John N. Mayo, 56 pawnshop proprietor, was shot and critically wounded today by a negro burglar who escaped. Six suspects were arrested.

TWENTY-NINE INJURED WHEN TRAINS CRASH

Crack Limiteds of So. Railway Collided Last Evening

Rockmart, Ga., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Eighteen persons perished as a result of the head-on collision here last night between two passenger trains, the Ponce de Leon, north bound from Miami to Chicago and the Royal Palm, south bound, of the Southern Railway. The seriously injured numbered 29.

Railroad officials said they did not believe more bodies would be found in the wreckage, which had been thoroughly searched.

Four of the dead are negroes.

The Ponce de Leon, with J. M. Pearce, road foreman of engines at the throttle, was maintaining its schedule wtih a long train. It was under orders to take siding at Rockmart to pass the Royal Palm, which had pulled up on the main line to await the northbound train. Railroad officials at the wreck said the siding was occupied partly by a freight train which also was believed to have caused Pearce to think that the Royal Palm was on the side track.

Trains Crash Head-on

The Ponce de Leon, coming down an eight mile grade at high speed, hit the Royal Palm engine head-on. The day coach of the northbound special j ammed into the diner just behind. The dining car was leveled and only three occupants were known to have escaped. The baggage and club combination car of the Royal Palm was badly damaged.

Railroad officials and town people, armed with blow torches and crow bars, labored all night to extricate the bodies of those whose journey northward for the holidays was ended by the crash. Relief trains from Rome, 20 miles away, and Atlanta, 52 miles distant, were at the scene and dawn found frantic efforts continuing to liberate the injured imprisoned in the debris as well as to free the bodies of those whose lives were crushed out.

Victims Were at Dinner.

Most of those dead and injured were at dinner on the north bound train.

In the crash the dining car telescoped the day coatch ahead and rooted under the tender of the locomotive while debris from a smashed day coach immediately behind piled down upon it and through its side.

A new switch, gleaming in a pouring rain, is believed to have figured in the pile up of the cars. The Ponce De Leon, north bound from Jacksonville, Fla. with many passengers,

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Wild Goose Hunt by Police Ended at Parking Space

Holiday cheer was prevalent in Dixon yesterday and today in more ways than one. H. J. Annas, district sales manager for the Chevrolet motors company with headquarters in Chicago, this morning reported to Chief J. D. Van Bibber that his Chevrolet coupe had been stolen during the night from the parking space east of the Hotel Dixon. The police instituted a search of the side roads and by ways in and near the city, and finally after a long hunt discovered the machine parked on the city parking space near the Galena avenue bridge. A dressed turkey, a suit of clothes and many Christmas presents were in the seat and were undisturbed.

A former city official parked his Ford sedan on Second street near Peoria avenue yesterday afternoon while he transacted business in the offices of the Dixon Home Telephone Co. When he returned, he found the front seat piled high with packages of all sizes and shapes. Knowing that some mistake had been made, he waited for a time and learned that his car had been mistaken for that of an out of town shopper, who was completing her holiday trading.

COURT BATTLE ON I. N. U. BYRON DAM REGARDED LIKELY

Utilities Co. Claims to Have Purchased Easement Rights

Rockford—A court battle now looms over plans for the proposed dam in Rock river north of Byron, as the result of an announcement by Illinois Northern Utilities company officials that they had purchased easement rights for a 12-foot dam adjacent to McCormick farms.

Attorneys for the Insull firm claim that the easement rights on the property were purchased by J. H. Shallenberger, DeKalb, several years ago when the retired wire manufacturer planned on moving part of his plant to Byron. Later he sold the rights to E. W. Brown, of Rockford, who in turn disposed of them to the utilities company.

Move Not a Surprise

When the Byron commercial club held its mass meeting on Monday night to consider action on the proposed dam, Manager H W. Allyn of McCormick farms announced that he understood the utilities company had secured alleged easement rights but that he doubted the authenticity of the holdings.

Mrs. McCormick is quoted as having stated that when the late senator puurchased the land, he purchased the casement rights with it and that the estate is the only organization that can legally erect the river obstruction. Mrs. McCormick is bitterly opposed to any power plant adjacent to her home.

Utilities Interested

The announcement is the first indication of real interest that has been manifested in months by the utilities officials. Options on land to be flooded in more than 20 farms have been se-

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STERLING MAN MUST RETURN TO CO. COURT

But Judge Leech Lets H. L. McBride Spend Holiday at Home



The Yuletide spirit influenced a judge late yesterday afternoon and also brought a state's attorney to the realization that a family would be better together at the Christmas time, than separated, despite the strict rigors of law enforcement. H. L. McBride, a Sterling electrician, was taken into the county court before Judge Wm. L. Leech yesterday afternoon on an information charging him with the driving of an automobile on the Lincoln Highway while in an intoxicated condition.

McBride, in response to a question from the court, stated that he did not know of the stringency of the sentence imposed for driving on the highways while in an intoxicated condition and said that his wife and two children were awaiting his return. McBride also stated that he was without employment.

"This is the season of peace on earth and good will toward men," Judge Leech stated in opening his remarks. "The offense with which you are charged is a serious one in this ocurt. It is not the practice of the court to make flesh of one and fish of another. However, while you say you were out of work, still, you had money enough to buy liquor. In face of this and the lives you may have endangered on the highways, I am of the opinion that you should spend Christmas with your wife and those two kiddies. On your honor, and with the consent of the state's attorney, I am going to permit you to leave this court room and go to your family in Sterling to spend the holiday season. You will report in this court Monday morning, Jan. 3. The court and the state's attorney have been waging a campaign in Lee county to rid the highways of drunken drivers and your case is to be treated in the same manner as the others, but I feel that your wife and kiddies are entitled to a happy Christmas, and it is up to you to see that they are taken care of in the proper manner."

McBride left the court room and when his car had been restored to him, went back to Sterling.

Aunt of Dixon Lady Dead in New York

Mrs. Marion McKinney this morning received news of the death of her aunt, Mrs. Ella Wade of Jamestown, N. Y., with whom she made her home for a number of years. Mrs. Wade passed away at about 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening after an illness of some duration. Mrs. McKinney plans to go to Jamestown to attend the funeral, which will be held Monday.

AURORA WOMAN, CALLING AT NEIGHBOR'S HOME WITH HER PRESENTS, FINDS TRAGEDY

Aurora, Ill., Dec. 24—(AP)—Three little boys of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tesch, Harry 9, Robert 7 and Ray 6, were overcome by gas last night in their home while their parents were away. Ray died. The other boys were saved through the efforts of Mrs. F. J. McGowan who came to the house about 8 o'clock to deliver Christmas presents and found the three lying in a heap on a bed. The youngest child was undressed and under the covers. He had been put to bed apparently by the older brother who was overcome as he undressed his charge.

The boys' mother was at work in a downtown store where she had taken employment during the holiday season.

The father had left the house in the afternoon.

FIVE CHICKENS FLEW HOME TO ROOST AND AS RESULT MAN IS JAILED AT CAPITAL AS ROBBER

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 24—(AP)— Five of eight chickens flew to roost in the hen house of J. P. Moore, nine miles north of here last night and today P. L. Leeper of Chicago stays in jail for chicken stealing.

If the hens had not roosted in Moore's hen house, Leeper would have been released.

He was arrested here yesterday while selling a supply of twenty-two chickens. Moore charged him with theft. He denied it and said he had traveled through the country buying hens for the purpose of selling them.

Thereupon the sheriff, Moore and Leeper decided to let the hens tell. They were taken back home by Moore and turned loose. Five of them roosted immediately.

TODAY'S MARKET REPORTS

Chicago Produce

Chicago, Dec. 24.—(AP) — Poultry alive steady; receipts 3 cars; fowls 18@24; springs 18@23½; turkeys 36; roosters 18; ducks 20@30; geese 20@25.

Butter: higher; receipts 6140 tubs; creamery extras 50; standards 48; extra firsts 48@49; firsts 43@45; seconds 38@41½.

Eggs: unchanged; receipts 328 cases.

No potato market account holiday.

Chicago Livestock

Chicago, Dc. 24.—(AP)—Hogs: 10,000; generally 15@35c higher; top 11.90; all weights excepting pigs upward to 11.85; bulk bettre grades 11.75@11.85; slaughter pigs 11.60@11.75; packing sows 10.10@11.00; slaughter pigs 11.25@11.75; shippers 10,000; holdover 1000; heavy hogs 11.40@11.90; mediums 11.45@11.85; lights 11.35@11.85.

Cattle: 2000; pre-holiday receipts too small to make market; most killers steady with week's advance; few heavy fed steers 8.50@10.35; short feds 8.00@10.00; low qualified steers 7.50@8.00; stockers and feeders barely steady; vealers 10.75@11.50 to packers.

Sheep: 5000; fat lambs fairly active; bulk wooled lambs 12.25@13.00; choice mediums 13.25; choice lambs 12.75; most heavies around 12.00 and below; fed westerns 11.50; choice medium fed clipped lambs 11.75; culls 9.00; sheep steady fat ewes 5.00@6.25.

Chicago Grain Table

By Associated Press Leased Wire

	Open	High	Low	Close
WHEAT—				
Dec.	1.39½	1.40	1.39	1.39¾
May	1.40¼	1.40⅝	1.40⅛	1.40⅝
July	1.32	1.32½	1.31⅝	1.32¼
CORN—				
Dec.	73⅛	73¼	72⅝	72⅝
May	81⅝	81¾	81⅜	81⅝
July	84⅜	84⅞	84½	84¾
OATS—				
Dec.	45⅝	46⅛	45⅝	45⅞
Mya	50	50⅛	49⅝	50⅛
July	48⅛	48¼	48	48
RYE—				
Dec.	94	94 ⅝	94	94⅝
May	1.00⅛	1.00¾	1.00	1.00½
July	98⅛	98¾	98⅛	98½
LARD—				
Jan.	12.35	12.55	12.35	12.55
May	12.60	12.80	12.60	12.80
RIBS—				
Jan.				13.95
May	13.75	13.97	13.75	213.97
BELLIES—				
Jan.	14.80			15.00
May	14.80	15.00	14.80	15.00

Weekly Grain

Chicago, Dec. 24—(AP)—Suggestions are being put forward by trade authorities here that world wheat requirements have been underestimated for the present crop year. Such a situation is talked of as helping to explain the apparent irregular upward trend of values.

Compared with a week ago, wheat today showed gains varying from 1-8c to 2 1-2 c a bushel with corn ranging from 7-8 c decline 1-4 c advance, oats unchanged to 3-8 c @ 1-2 c down and provisions at a rise of 10 c to 35 c.

In connection with asserted likelihood that world wheat needs have been figured too low, the fact is pointed out that the United States and Canada have cleared more wheat and flour to Europe than a year go, and that nevertheless the world available supply has decreased in the ast month, that a more urgent foreign demand for

Less optimistic trade leaders say wheat with a broader speculative interest might bring about price advancees, but both these factors appear to be lacking.

With primary receipts of corn expected to be larger within a few weeks corn and oats values are easier although the corn crop is substantially below normal.

Increased county offerings of oats too, have temporarily taken the edge off the oats market.

Provisions are reflecting the government pig survey construed as indicative of a smaller supply of hogs than as a rule had been looked for.

Liberty Bonds Close

New York, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Liberty bonds closed:

3½s 100.31.
1st 4¼s 102.21.
2nd 4¼s 100.29.
3rd 4¼s 101.12.
4th 4¼s 103.1.
Treasury 3¾s 102.24 .
New 4s 105.23.
New 4¼s 109.20.

Chicago Cash Grain

Chicago, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Wheat No. 3 red 1.36½ No. 4 red 1.34; No. 1 hard 1.44½@1.45; No. 2 hard 1.43½; No. 3 hard 1.35¼@1.36; No. 4 hard 1.34; No. 2 mixed 1.41½.

Corn No. 2 mixed 74½; No. 3 mixed 72½; No. 4 mixed 68@72; No. 5 mixed 60@63; No. 6 mixed 60½@68; No. 2 yellow 75½; No. 3 yellow 74@½; No. 4 yellow 68½@73¾; No. 5 yellow 63@70; No. 6 yellow 59@69; No. 2 white 75; No. 3 white 74; No. 4 white 68¾; No. 5 white 63; No. 6 white 59@63; sample grade 53@65.

Oats No. 1 white 54; No. 2 white 51@54; No. 3 white 45@48; No. 4 white 39@41! sample 32@39.

Rye, No. 3, 98.

Barley 60@78.

Timothy seed 5.00@5.75.

Clover seed 25.00@32.50.

Lard 12.45.

Ribs 14.25.

Bellies 17.00.

East St. Louis Horses

East St. Louis, Ill.—(AP)—Horses and mules unchanged. Horses: good to choice draft horses $125@$285; medium to good drafts $75@$125; choice southern horses $40@$55.

Mules: draft mules 16 to 17 hands $185@$250; mine and top cotton mules 15 to 16.2 hands $125@$160.

Local Markets

DIXON MILK PRICE

From Dec. 1 until further notice the Borden company will pay for milk testing 4 per cent butter fat, received $2.50 per hundred pounds for direct ratio.

Local Briefs

George Banning and son of Oregon were Dixon callers this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kersten and daughter of Ashton were in Dixon today on business.

—Read the classified ad column. Read it every day. tf

S. N. Dodson of Polo was a Dixon visitor yesterday afternoon.

James Smith of El Paso visited yesterday with Judge W. L. Leech.

—Insure your garage with H. U. Bardwell. tf

Miss Lois Breimer who was injured in an accident in Chicago last Friday in Chicago last Friday night is much improved, although her arm is still painful.

—Do you read the classified ad column each evening? You will find there much of interest.

Miss May Arnould of Moline is visiting Dixon friends.

Frank Rich of Morrison was a Dixon visitor this afternoon.

—Particular housewives use our white paper for pantry shelves and bureau drawers. Nicely put up in rolls, 10 cents to 50 cents. B. F. Shaw Printing Co. tf

Fred Throup of Sacramento, Calif. is visiting at the home of his mother, Mrs. A. H. Throup of Palmyra Ave.

Miss Hazel Van Bibber is confined to her home with an attack of tonsilitis.

Mrs. Alfred Hugust and son of Whitehall, Mont., are here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Leggitt.

Lee H. Cool is home from his traveling duties for the Borden Co. to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cool. He arrived here Thursday from Middletown, N. Y.

Masked Bandits Robbed Herrin Hotel Last Eve

Herrin, Ill., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Three masked and armed men early today locked George Phelps, night clerk of the Liberty Hotel, in a telephone booth and rifled the office safe of $1,500 cash left by patrons for safe keeping.

One of the robbers told the clerk they were after "our money," which led officers to believe the money had been left by gamblers.

NOTICE.

A fine Christmas gift for your young son or daughter would be a few shares in the Loan & Building Association. Ask Hal Bardwell, Secretary about it. tf

Late Senator McKinley'c Estate Worth $1,250,000

Champaign, Ill., Dec. 25.—(AP)—The estate of the late Senator William B. McKinley is valued at $1,250,000 in a petition for the probate hearing filed today in Champaign county court by H. I. Green, McKinley's attorney. The hearing was set for Jan. 17.

Order your Martha Washington Candy now. Campbell's White Cross Drug Store. 296t7

When your insurance expires. H. U. Bardwell, the insurance man may have something of interest to tell you. tf

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Springs, 4 up to 5 lbs.	.20
Springs, under 4 lbs.	.17
Hens, over 5 lbs.	.22
Hens, 4 up to 5 lbs.	.20
Hens, under 4 lbs.	.14
Old Cocks	.13
Ducks	.21
Geese	.16

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GOODFELLOWS SWAMPED IN WORK TODAY

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Knights Templar	25.00
J. A. Shorrette	1.00
Oliver Killian	2.00
Elwyna Miller	1.00
Marvel and Bud Schoenholz	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller	5.00
An Amboy Friend	2.50
Dixon Painters Union	10.00
Ruth and Mildred Jacobson	2.50
Dixon Auto Laundry	2.00
Horace F. Ortt Aux. V. F. W.	5.00
A Friend	2.50
Tom and Betty Reilly	1.00
Dixon Floral Co.	5.00
Willing Workers Sunday School Class of St. Paul's Lutheran Church	3.00
L. G. Adams	5.00
Mrs. Mary Riordan's 6th Grade Class of Children	3.00
From A Friend	10.00
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Wilbur Santee	5.00
Eells Family	20.00
Winifred Roe	1.00
John Roe	1.00
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M. A. Becker	5.00
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Addie E. Hillis	1.00
Geo. E. Boynton	10.00
A Friend	1.00
A Friend	10.00
S. C. S. club	3.00
Chas. C. Wild	1.00
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A. L. Geisenheimer	10.00
R. A. C.	1.00
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Mrs. Graves	1.00
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Frank Nicholas	5.00
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Geo. C. Loveland	5.00
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H. H. Emmert	1.00
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War Mothers	5.00
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Anonymous	1.00
Mila Wohnke	1.00
N. B. X.	2.00
Total	$826.00

TWENTY-NINE INJURED WHEN TRAINS CRASH

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roared past the switch at 6:45 o'clock last night, and a half mile further on crashed into the southbound Royal Palm. The south bound train had trailed along on the main line waiting for the other train to pass on a siding.

Roared Past Switch

"I was waiting for the northbound train to take the switch and pass us," said Engineer Corey of the southbound Royal Palm.

"Instead she roared past it. I grabbed the brake lever, yelled to my fireman to jump and tied the whistle down. Then I jumped. I had cleared a fence and jumped a ditch when they crashed."

Corey's fireman was unaccounted for.

Engineer S. J. Keith of the north bound train was blinded and severely burned and could not furnish an account. R. M. Pierce, traveling engineer riding in the cab, also was seriously injured. H. R. Moss, fireman was killed.

Identification Difficult

Bodies of those thrown clear of the wreckage were removed first and laid in a nearby field. Later they were removed to undertaking establishments. Most of the passengers had left their effects behind on going into the dining car and identification was difficult.

A mother and three children, all unidentified, were killed as they sat at a table. The bodies of others were found in positions indicating that death was instantaneous. A negro cook was imprisoned by the stove.

COURT BATTLE ON I. N. U. BYRON DAM REGARDED LIKELY

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cured by the company, but when meetings to consider the dam proposition have been held in Byron, the company has never been represented.

At the adjourned session to be sponsored by the Byron Commercial club next Monday night, however, it was understood that officials of the company will be present with their attorneys and state their plans. The options on most of the land are to expire within the next 60 days and immediate action is necessary.

NEW CORPORATION

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 24—(AP)—Corporation papers have been granted the Dickes Electric Company of Aurora, capitalized at $50,000. In corporators are Joseph Dickes, Peter Kapp Jr. and Charles Orbordorf..

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EMPEROR OF JAPAN DIED ON CHRISTMAS

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circulated from time to time that an affliction dating from his infancy was making serious inroads upon his health.

In 1921, five years after his coronation, it became common knowledge that the emperor was suffering from a complication of diseases which had undermined his mentality and practically incapicated him for the responsibilities attached to his throne.

Yielding to public pressure, he consented on Nov. 25, 1921 to designate his son, Crown Prince Hirohito, as Regent of Japan, whereupon the Emperor relinquished the reigns of government and retired to seclusion.

Was Popular Ruler.

Yoshihito was one of the most popular rulers of Nippon. When crowned, 30,000 poems were written in his honor. His father was an admirer of Western civilization and the son continued his policy. Mutsuhito, however, among other things, abhorred cameras and electric lights. During his lifetime Chiyoda Palace in Tokio was lighted by candles and oil lamps. The new Emperor, upon his accession to the throne, took up amateur photography and equipped the palace with push buttons, electric lights and other appliances. A crack billiard player, he installed American and English tables in his royal home and for relaxation from the cares of state indulged in spirited games with the court chamberlains. He was also an ardent motorist, a bicyclist and horseback rider.

The young Emperor was noted for his benevolent traits. He celebrated his ascension to the throne by promulgating a decree of amnesty to many prisoners and giving $500,000 to charity. Some years later, during the rice shortage, he contributed $3,000,000 to a fund to buy food for the poor.

Held Highest Ideas.

Educated at the Nobles' School in Tokio, Yoshihito's training was supplemented by the work of tutors. He spoke English, French and German and was an excellent conversationalist, holding, it is said, "advanced ideas of world peace and international morality." Two elder brothers died when he was a child and thus made him the Heir Apparent. Upon their passing he was decorated with the Grand Order or Merit and received a commission as Colonel in the Imperial Royal Guards. Subsequently he became a Lieutenant General in the Japanese army and a Vice Admiral in the navy.

Had Four Sons.

On May 10, 1900, the Emperor who was then Crown Prince, married the Princess Sadako Fudjiwara. Four sons were born to them, the present Crown Prince Mich-No-Miyra Hirohito, born April 29, 1901, Prince Atsu, born June 25, 1902, Pirnce Tenu, born January 3, 1905 and Prince Nobuhito, born in 1915. It is related that when the Heir Apparent was born, the Crown Prince and Crown Princess, although occidental in many of their ideas, bowed to centuries of Japanese tradition and permitted the observance of the elaborate birth rites of their people. But one custom they ignored, that of keeping the infant's head shaved. Little Prince Michi thus was the first baby of the royal house of Jimmu Tenno (as the Japanese reverently term the Emperor) who ever wore hair cut in occidental fashion. A custom which had been in vogue since 660 B. C., in the Land of the Rising Sun thereby fell to modernism. The Empress Sadako is said to have fully shared her royal spouse's fondness for European and American ways.

Emperor Yoshito's reign has been called a continuation of his father's "Era of Enlightenment." Upon ascending the throne he said he would endeavor to carry out Mutsuhito's policy of friendliness toward Western nations and their ideals. At the outbreak of the world war, partly as a result of Yoshihito's efforts, Japan entered the struggle on the side of the Allies and helped to render Germany impotent in the Orient and on the Pacific. Little was publicly known on this side of the Pacific of the Emperor's attitude toward the Korean, Shantung, Siberian and California anti-alien land problems, the solution of which has been watched with keen interest in America.

Yoshihito had four sisters besides the two brothers previously mentioned. One of his sisters, the Princess Kane-No-Miya, 31 years old is the wife of Prince Kitashirakawa, the head of one of the numerous branches of the royal house. She has been described as "a daughter of the gods" and no stranger to Paris fashions.

Crown Prince Michi-No-Miya was proclaimed heir apparent in 1912 and was formerly consecrated Crown Prince in 1916. He was born April 29, 1901.

The education of Prince Michi, as he is called, included both military and diplomatic fields. He is a major of infantry in the Japanese army and a lieutenant commander in the navy. Since 1919 he has occupied a seat in the Imeprial Diet.

In 1921 the Emperor broke an ancient Japanese tradition in sending the Crown Prince on a visit to Europe. He visited England, Scotland, France, Belgium, Holland and Italy. He was made an honorary general in the British army and a knight of the Order of the Bath by King George and received royal decrees from several other countries. A visit to the Vatican and an audience with Pope Benedict was another feature of his trip.

It was announced shortly after the Prince's appointment to the Regency that his rule would terminate if at any time the Emperor recovered sufficiently to resume the direction of his government.

Lodge News

No Empty Stocking at Mooseheart, Ill.

Mooseheart, Ill., Dec. 24—(AP)—There is a city where there will be no empty stockings tomorrow, Christmas morning. Here, in this city of childhood maintained by the Loyal Order of Moose for 1,400 children, all preparations of the night before Christmas were completed, as the greatest flood of Christmas presents ever received at Mooseheart was rolling in. The youngsters here like the fortunate ones throughout the land, still dream of Santa Claus and his reindeer that never pass them by.

ELKS MEET MONDAY

The reguar meeting of the Dixon lodge of Elks, No. 779, will be held Monday evening at 8 o'clock at the club house.

Order your Martha Washington Candy now. Campbell's White Cross Drug Store. 296t7

PLAYED SONG OF, DEATH; TRIED TO END TIRED LIFE

Rockford Youth Fails in Spectacular Attempt to Suicide

"There will be a new star in Heaven tonight—Rudolph Valentino"

Donald Black, age 19, Rockford, played this victrola record and then walked to a rear kitchen door and shot himself through his right shoulder at the home of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. James Margason.

He used a .25 calibre revolver with a steel-jacketed bullet and the shot passed through his body, lodging just beneath the skin on his back. He was rushed to Rockford hospital and is expected to recover unless complications develop.

Melancholy for Two Years

Worry over the death of his grandmother three years ago and general weakening of his mind were given by relatives as the reasons for the youth trying to end his life. He had been despondent and melancholy for two or three years and in conversations with relatives often mentioned death but never made any direct threat to end his life.

During the last two years he had been discovered a number of times cutting his wrists with a pocket knife and one time carved his initials in his wrist, filling the wounds with ink, relatives said.

Kisses Mother Good-bye

Black lived with his mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. J. Houston, and had been working in a bakery. Last night his mother and step-father left to visit a friend a block away from their home. After they left Donald secured from a cabinet drawer a revolver belonging to his step-father and rushed to the home where they were visiting.

After kissing his mother and shaking hands with relatives, Donald informed them not to expect him until "they saw him coming." Five minutes later friends saw him running madly across a vacant lot near his home. Thirty minutes later he arrived at the home of his uncle and aunt.

Plays Death Record

He was nervous and suffering from severe mental trouble when he arrived there and paced the floor for minutes.

Going to the victrola he played a record, "Mother Love," and then one, "There Will be a New Star in Heaven Tonight—Rudolph Valentino."

First Two Shots Fail

As the sound of the music died away, Black walked to a rear door and drew the revolver. The first shot was apparently aimed at his head and went wild. The second pull on the trigger failed to discharge the shell and he was working with the gun pointed at his body when the third tug on the trigger sent a bullet through his right shoulder just above the top of the lung.

"Well, I did it", explained Black as he walked back into the sitting room.

"Did what " inquired the aunt who was alone at home at the time.

"Shot myself," said Black and he pulled back his clothing to reveal a crimson flow.

The aunt summoned her husband who was at a neighbor's home. The uncle and neighbors immediately rushed the injured youth to the hospital in an automobile.

SOCIETY NEWS

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TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN GLEN ELLYN—

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Doyle of Glen Ellyn will entertain over Christmas Dixon relatives. Mrs. J. D. Hill, Mrs. Doyle's mother is now visiting at the Doyle home. This evening Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hill, Mrs. Welch, Mrs. Hill's mother, and J. D. Hill will motor to the Doyle home in Glen Ellyn to spend Christmas.

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WILL SPEND CHRISTMAS IN DIXON—

Cadesman Pope of Lawrenceville, Georgia, joined his wife today in a visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Patrick. Miss Helen Patrick of Oak Park will arrive this evening for a holiday visit in Dixon.

TURKEY SHOOT.

Wednesday, Dec. 29, at Pine Tree Inn, 3 miles southeast of Dixon, State Route No. 2. Trap and rifle shooting.

Hubert Bahen.

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Ten Years of Litigation Over Gould Estate Ends

New York, Dec. 24.—(AP) — Ten years of litigation over the $82,000,000 estate of Jay Gould ended today in a settlement, it was announced by attorneys for fifty or more litigants.

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Friday.

Minnie Bell Rebekah Lodge—I. O. O. F. Hall.

Monday.

W. R. C.—G. A. R. Hall.

Wednesday.

Zion Household Science Club—King School.

OLD MASTERS

By J. Milton:—Selected from "Ode On the Morning of Christ's Nativity."

It was the winter wild
While the heaven-born child
All meanly wrapt in the rude manger lies;
Nature in awe to him
Had doff'd her gaudy trim,
With her great Master so to sympathize:
It was no season then for her
To wanton with the sun, her lusty paramour.

No war or battle's sound
Was heard the world around:
The idle spear and shield were high uphung;
The hooked chariot stood
Unstain'd with hostile blood;
The trumpet spake not to the armed throng;
And kings sat still with awful eye,
As if they surely knew their sovran Lord was by.

The Oracles are dumb;
No voice or hideous hum
Runs through the arched roofs in words deceiving.
Apollo from his shrine
Can no more divine,
With hollow shriek the steep of Delphos leaving;
No nightly trance or breathed spell
Inspires the pale-eyed priest from prophetic cell.

But see! the Virgin blest
Hath laid her Babe at rest;
Time is, our tedious song should here have ending:
Heaven's youngest teemed star
Hath fix'd her polish'd car,
Her sleeping Lord with handmaid lamp attending:
And all about the courtly stable
Bright-harness'd angels sit in order serviceable.

Home Coming Dance Thursday, Dec. 30th

A Home Coming dance will be held Thursday evening, Dec. 30th, in Downing's hall, with music from an excellent orchestra. This party is sponsored by the young people home during the holidays, and while informal, will be the young people's dance of the season. In addition to the regular dancing, there will be favors, etc.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT MINERAL POINT, WIS.—

Miss Ruth Collins will spend Christmas with her parents at Mineral Point, Wisconsin

Menus for the Family

BY SISTER MARY

BREAKFAST—Chilled apple sauce, cereal cooked with figs, thin cream, crisp broiled bacon, whole wheat toast milk, coffee.

LUNCHEON —Parsnip souffle, rye bread, hearts of celery, molded prune pudding, milk, tea.

DINNER—Braised lamb, potato marbles in parsley butter, canned string beans, spinach salad, whole wheat bread, canned pears, chocolate cake, milk, coffee.

Parsnip Souffle

Four medium-sized parsnips, 1 teaspoon salt, 1-8 teaspoon pepper, 3 tablespoons butter, 2 tablespoons flour, 1 cup milk, 2 eggs.

Scrub parsnips and cook until tender in boiling water. Remove skins and put through a potato ricer or rub through a colander. Season with salt, pepper and 1 tablespoon butter. Melt remaining butter in sauce pan, stir in flour and slowly add milk, stirring constantly. Cook, stirring constantly, until thick and smooth Remove from fire and add sifted parsnips. Add yolks of eggs beaten until thick and lemon-colored. Beat whites of eggs until stiff and dry, and fold into first mixture. Turn into a well-buttered baking dish ond bake twenty-five minutes in a moderate oven. Serve at once or the souffle will fall.

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CHRISTMAS AT FORD HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Coster of Rock Island will spend Christmas at the home of her father, Thomas Ford, in Dixon.

Girl Scouts Busy In Various Ways

Through the courtesy of Mr. Hunt the Girl Scouts will have the use of the "Y" pool Monday afternoon. The schedule for the swimming will be as follows:

Monday.

1 o'clock, Iris and Wild Rose troops will swim.

2 o'clock, Lily of the Valley and Pine Cone troops.

3 o'clock, Forget-Me-Not troop.

The meeting of the Wild Rose troop in the morning as had been planned will not be held because of the afternoon activities.

The Pine Cone and Forget-Me-Not troops will sing Christmas carols this evening.

The Lily of the Valley troop were entertained Wednesday afternoon with a Christmas party at the home of Myra Alice Warner on East Everett street. A grab bag was a feature of the afternoon.

Christmas Party at Telephone Office

The annual Christmas dinner and party for the employes was held Tuesday evening at the office and it proved to be the most enjoyable party yet given. There were thirty in attendance. Louis Pitcher, manager of the Dixon office treated the girls to a sumptuous Christmas dinner, and they in turn invited him and his two young sons to be present. Hattie Cook catered. The Christmas decorations were very pretty, the green and red and silver mingling in the glow of the Christmas tapers. A Christmas tree gay in trimmings and laden with gifts was a feature of the happy occasion, each one present, receiving a gift. The entire evening proved of unusual enjoyment to all and will remain a pleasant memory in the festivities of the holiday season.

ZION HOUSEHOLD SCIENCE CLUB TO MEET—

The members of the Zion Household Science will hold an all-day meeting next Wednesday at the King school. The program committee will be in charge of the program, and the social committee will be in charge of the dinner. After the dinner there will be a grab bag for the adults, the price of each gift to exceed twenty-five cents; there will also be a grab bag for the children, the price of gift therein to be valued at more than ten cents. All members and their families are cordially urged to attend as a good time is in store for all.

Early Morning Cantata Christmas

At 6 o'clock Christmas morning the Junior choir of St. Paul's Lutheran church will render the beautiful cantata by Berwald, "The Birth of Christ." The cantata will be given under the direction of the Junior choir leader, Mrs. Morris Rosbrook, with Mrs. Dwight Chapman at the organ.

St. Agnes Guild Christmas Party

The members of St. Agnes Guild of St. Luke's Episcopal church will hold their annual Christmas dancing party in Downing's hall. Each year this party is anticipated with much pleasure and it will prove no exception to the rule this year.

WERE ATTENDANTS AT MEALY-KIRWAN WEDDING—

Mr. and Mrs. George Vasen of Davenport, Ia., were attendants at the wedding of Miss Mary Mealey and E H. Kirwan which was celebrated Wednesday at 12:30 o'clock at St. Patrick's church in this city.

RECEIVES BOX OF FLORIDA ORANGES—

Mrs. J. W. Carpenter of Nachusa avenue has received from Florida a box of lucious oranges, from Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bender. Mrs. Bender is Mrs. Carpenter's daughter.

MISS KELLEY IS ENTERTAINING TODAY AT STUDIO—

Miss Lucile Kelley is entertaining this afternoon at her studio with a Christmas party, her guests being the members of her classes in ballroom and classic dancing

ELKS' CHRISTMAS PARTY SATURDAY EVENING—

On Saturday evening the Elks' annual Christmas party will be held in Downing's hall, for Elks and their friends, and a good attendance is anticipated.

SECRETARY HENRY HELLENER TO DINE IN DEKALB—

Secretary Henry Hellener of the Chamber of Commerce, will enjoy breakfast Christmas morning with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hallenberg and their two little daughters. Mr. Hellener expects to dine in DeKalb at dinner with friends.

"IF IT'S BLUE, IT'S ART," SAYS AMERICA, SCORNING MASTERS—

By Olive Roberts Barton

Talking about Christmas and the amount of rubbish that people pay good money for reminds me of an experience I had a few weeks ago.

I decided to have a couple of prints framed for a young friend away at school, so I hied me to a store which is, I think, second to only one in the United States, both in size and the general quality of its merchandise.

The art department, or picture department I should say (for everything in the store from stamped towels to Korean chests was referred to as "art"), was agliter with a great many gold leaf frames and cut glass mirrors.

A very pleasant woman came to wait on me, not an "extra" taken on for holiday trade but one of the regular force of clerks. I had bought things from her before.

"May I look over your prints of old masters?" I asked. "I'll pick out a couple and let you frame them in some plain molding. I think I'd have the 'Strawberry Girl' for one. It's by Reynolds. And for the other I was thinking of 'Mrs. Siddons.' It's by Reynolds, too, you know. Or the 'Girl's Head' by Greuze."

She looked at me in bewilderment. "I don't think we have them," she said. "But here are a lot we just got in." And she showed me several highly colored and not at all unattractive garden scenes with vivid blue skies and cobalt lakes. And she help up also a Japanese girl and a Neapolitan boy.

When I explained that I wanted copies, or prints, of priceless old masters, to be seen only in Europe galleries she understood. "Oh, I know what you mean now," she said "like the Madonnas and all that! No, we don't keep them. I suppose people won't buy them or else they cost too much."

"They cost only a few cents anywhere in Europe," said I. "And they cost only a few cents here, too, but evidently they are going to be hard to find. But thank you, anyway. I'll look somewhere else."

My words proved to be true. Three large stores failed me. The fourth, a regular picture store, sent away for what I wanted.

We cannot live on dead art, to be sure. It is necessary to keep on producing, but is America going to allow catch-penny color to take the place of the rare genius of the masters

"Blue Boy" by Gainsborough is being exploited merely, I am positively sure, because it is so nice and blue and looks so well in a blue frame.

MR. AND MRS. HOCK HERE FROM KANSAS CITY—

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hock of Kansas City are expected this evening from Kansas City, to be guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Batchelder. Mrs. Batchelder and Mrs. Hock are sisters.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT ELLIOTT HOME—

Miss Hazel Maxine Elliott is expected here from Chicago to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Elliott.

CHRISTMAS DAY AT THEODORE FULLER HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Fuller and Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Marloth will entertain Dr. and Mrs. W. A. McNicols, William Steel, Miss Grace Steel and Mrs C. H. Bokhof at dinner on Christmas day.

WILL BE GUESTS ON CHRISTMAS DAY—

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Stensland, and son Buddie, Mrs. Ida Hackett and son Clarence Hackett of Chicago, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rink and family will be Christmas guests of Mrs. E. A. Bodwell, Miss Clara Rink and William Rink.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT BOVEY HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Bovey and family will entertain at dinner Christmas day: Mrs. Addie Bovey, Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Ives, John Ives, and Mr and Mrs. Clinton Ives and young son Johnnie.

SPENDING CHRISTMAS AT W. H. BADGER HOME—

Miss Carol Badger of Long Beach, Cal., is spending her Christmas vacation at the home of her grandfather Warren H. Badger. Miss Badger attends the Frances Shimer school for girls at Mt. Carroll.

The WOMAN'S DAY by Allene Sumner

"INTELLECTUAL DEATH!"

There will be no few jeers and scoffings, of course, at the recent attempt of Smith College to "free wives and mothers from the intellectual death imposed upon them by the job of housekeeping." Most folks wil turn a deaf ear to what is happening down in this eastern college, although it's probably the biggest thing, meaning the most for the human race, that has been undertaken in the past quarter century.

"SHAME ON YOU!"

It's very simple. Smith has installed what it calls an Institute for the Co-ordination of Women's Interests. It is smply working for some adequate plan which will permit a girl of intelligence to be a wife which generally automatically means being a housekeeper, too, and to also have time and strength for more intelligence work. At this point the storm breaks. A wave of protest. A chorus of "shame." The sentimentalists howl, "what task is more worthy of an intelligent woman's capacities than the God-given one of home-making?"

To which I make polite and firm reply, "Razzberries!"

NOW, LISTEN!

You may or may not like it, but facts are that housework is the one job which morons and near imbeciles can do more efficiently than anything else. If you don't believe it, ask any social worker who places hordes of low-grade mentalities in kitchen jobs. Ask any doctor, any psychologist. A girl goes to college. She plans to teach or be an attorney or write, or sing or workin big business or doctor, and somehow or other she finds herself married. Because centuries of tradition have decreed that in this marriage partnership the man shal earn the wherewithal to keep the house going, and the woman shal do the work in that home, the natural and usual outcome is for the girl ot become converted into a housework-er. Exceptions, of course, many of them. But I am talking about the accepted sort of thing.

A MORON'S JOB!

So this girl with her bright, ingenious, creative mind is given a moron's job—dishes to wash, floors to scrub, cooking, cleaning, washing, ironing. As I say, many do not. "The new woman" who has made a name for herself by lawyering or nursing or painting sees no more reason why the Mrs. before her name should automatically change her job for one of scullion any more than that her husband should stop judging and become a brick-layer. She accepts the responsibility for her home, yes. She hires the kitchen work done and keeps on at her own job. In theory, it's dandy.

But there's that little line "she gets help." Try and get it! Sooner or later she finds that she is doing double duty. It's too much of a good thing. Tradition assumes that the well-managed home, which is her job, comes first. She gives up her outside job and stays home for dishes and dusty floors.

SO THEY DON'T MARRY

There are two results. Capable, trained, intelligent women are growing critical of this marrige business. They like their jobs. They loathe housework. Why swap interior decorating for greasy dish water just because of emotional appeal? They down the emotional appeal for a few years, when it dies a natural death or they are old enough to be so critical of all aspirants that there is little temptation.

Then society prattles, "what will become of the race if the highest type of women will not marry?"

THE DIVORCE MILL

Another result is the divorce court. The girl who has "chucked" her self-expressive, intelligent work only to find herself a kitchen scullion, enlists the aid of the law to get out some way or other, and there's another "broken home."

Which is exactly why this venture at Smith is one of the greatest things that has happened to the cause of womanhood since woman first learned that there was a job in the world for her other than housework.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT KEESLAR HOME—

Miss Fern K. Fluke will spend Christmas at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George C. Keeslar of Lincoln avenue.

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Taxation of soft drinks promises to be the overshadowing issue before the January meeting of the South Carolina legislature.

Hens scratching in a sandpit on the golf links at Fleetwood, England, recently caused the discovery of 400 Roman gold coins.

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OLD LAWS OF LIVING.

A great many people always are advancing the theory that the world is a much better place today than it ever was, in spite of wars, gang murders, wholesale divorces and other things that take up most of the front pages of the newspapers. By the same token they always are running down the middle ages, which they say were really the dark ages for man.

But the more you study the thing, the less you are convinced of the truth of this. Striking evidence has just been brought to light by a French scholar.

It seems tha centuries ago the immortal Italian poet, Petarch, did not have much love for the French. He labeled them as barbarians. The most he would concede to them was that they were the gentlest of the world's barbarians.

The insult struck home, and one Frenchman, Jean de Hesdin, drew up a list of French merits which ran as follows:

Temperance in food.
Elegance in costume.
Benevolent toleration.
Gentleness in speech.
In words—truth.
In acts—loyalty.
In the heart—fidelity.
Energy in labor.
Agility of body.

Now the French of those days were, perhaps, not all quite so perfect as that. No race ever was. But modern Frenchmen, who have commented upon it, have pointed out that it presents a pretty good list of things for which to strive.

It comes very nearly being another way of stating the tenets of the Christian religion. It comes very near being a set of rules for leading a really Christian life.

WANT SMITH TO SAVE THEM.

It seems like a strange appeal made by senators to Col. Frank L. Smith of Illinois. The appeal is that he shall save the senate from itself.

The senate, without solicitation from Illinois, sent a committee to this state to investigate the primary election. The senate has its own rules and makes them itself. If senators can talk day in and day out on any and every subject, holding up necessary legislation, that is the business of the senate.

If the senators can prevent transaction of senatorial business, that is because the senate would have it that way. If the senators can stifle the business of the government in a regular session and force an extra session, that is because the senate would have it that way.

In the ordinary course of events, Illinois has lost a senator. In the ordinary course of events and according to the law of the land, the governor of Illinois appointed a successor.

Next we witness appeals from senators to the appointee not to accept the appointment. Why? To prevent the senate from talking two months.

When the responses are not in accordance with their will, declarations are made freely that the appointee shall be refused point blank the seat to which he has been appointed, and that seems to be the ultimatum of friends and foe. Why?

To save the senate from itself.

After all that has been said and is about to be said about the purity of the United States senate, it does seem a little strange that it must appeal to Illinois to give it courage to go about the nation's business.

CLASSIC AND MODERN.

It is no secret that classical education is not considered as essential as it was a few decades ago.

Scholars of an older day took their Latin and Greek as seriously as modern college youth takes its football games and proms.

Numerous attempts to "revive the classics," by telling aspiring youths that a scholarly knowledge of Latin will make good drug clerks of them and that drug clerks are well paid, or that a working knowledge of Greek would enable one to become proprietor of a chain of coffee houses, have done little to swell the anemic enrollment in "the classic" courses of high schools and colleges.

One of the latest attempts to do something about it is a new "Latin Primer" which contains translations into the Latin of "America," "I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles," and actual translations of medical prescriptions.

This popularization sounds reasonable enough. The only Latin most of us recall is "Dido et forty ducks," which we snickered over when clled upon to translate Virgil's immortal line of "Dido et forte dux."

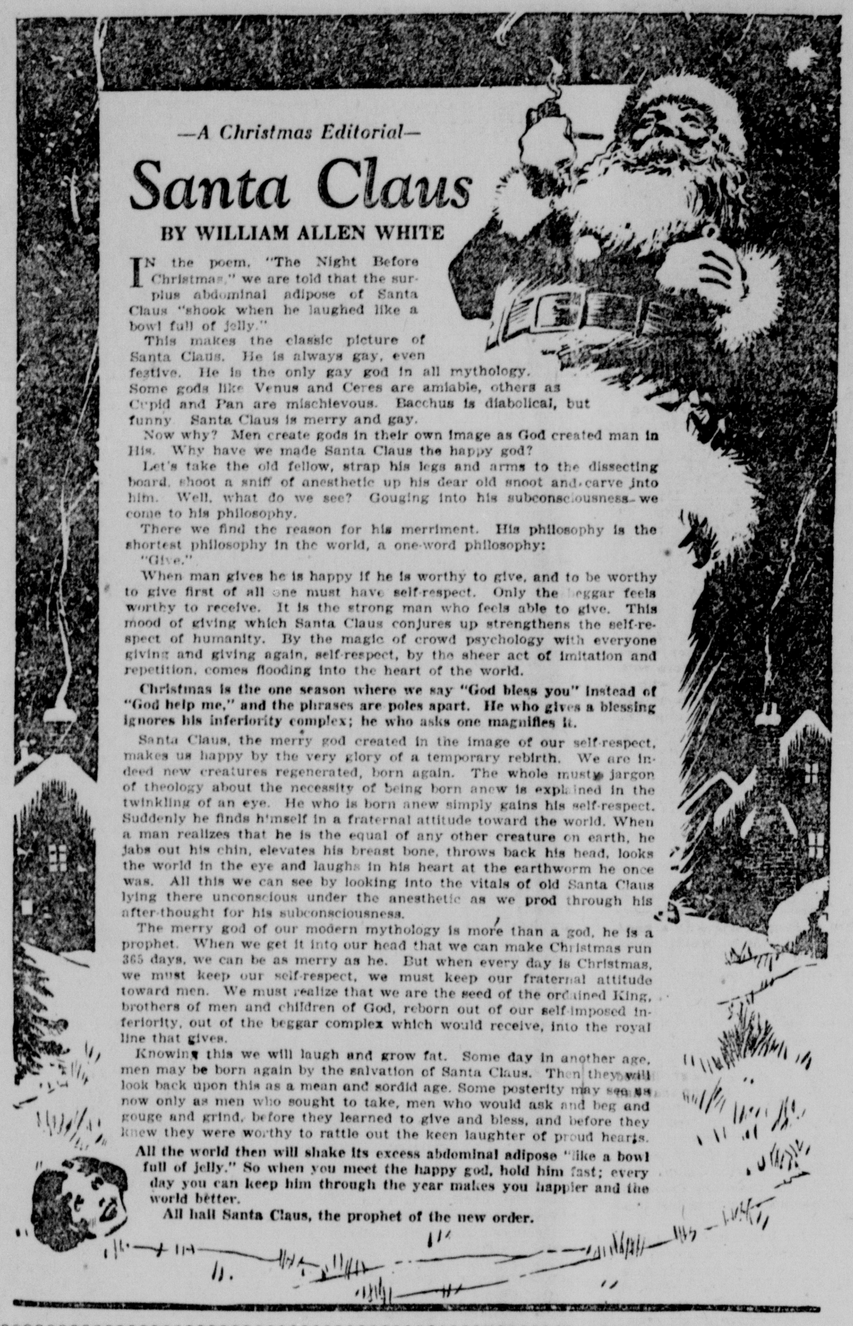
A reckless driver seldom is a wreckless driver.

When there's a bill there's a pay.

Don't shoot tigers until you can see their tonsils, says a professor. But is it worth while, professor?

Pig hunting is a great sport in India, says Kermit Roosevelt. The boys bag quite a few in this country, too.

Would you think Chicago a good place to have one's face lifted?



—A Christmas Editorial—

Santa Claus

BY WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE

IN the poem, "The Night Before Christmas," we are told that the surplus abdominal adipose of Santa Claus "shook when he laughed like a bowl full of jelly."

This makes the classic picture of Santa Claus. He is always gay, even festive. He is the only gay god in all mythology. Some gods like Venus and Ceres are amiable, others as Cupid and Pan are mischievous. Bacchus is diabolical, but funny. Santa Claus is merry and gay.

Now why? Men create gods in their own image as God created man in His. Why have we made Santa Claus the happy god?

Let's take the old fellow, strap his legs and arms to the dissecting board, shoot a sniff of anesthetic up his dear old snoot and carve into him. Well, what do we see? Gouging into his subconsciousness we come to his philosophy.

There we find the reason for his merriment. His philosophy is the shortest philosophy in the world, a one-word philosophy:

"Give."

When man gives he is happy if he is worthy to give, and to be worthy to give first of all one must have self-respect. Only the beggar feels worthy to receive. It is the strong man who feels able to give. This mood of giving which Santa Claus conjures up strengthens the self-respect of humanity. By the magic of crowd psychology with everyone giving and giving again, self-respect, by the sheer act of imitation and repetition, comes flooding into the heart of the world.

Christmas is the one season where we say "God bless you" instead of "God help me," and the phrases are poles apart. He who gives a blessing ignores his inferiority complex; he who asks one magnifies it.

Santa Claus, the merry god created in the image of our self-respect, makes us happy by the very glory of a temporary rebirth. We are indeed new creatures regenerated, born again. The whole mystic jargon of theology about the necessity of being born anew is explained in the twinkling of an eye. He who is born anew simply gains his self-respect. Suddenly he finds himself in a fraternal attitude toward the world. When a man realizes that he is the equal of any other creature on earth, he jabs out his chin, elevates his breast bone, throws back his head, looks the world in the eye and laughs in his heart at the earthworm he once was. All this we can see by looking into the vitals of old Santa Claus lying there unconscious under the anesthetic as we prod through his after-thought for his subconsciousness.

The merry god of our modern mythology is more than a god, he is a prophet. When we get it into our head that we can make Christmas run 365 days, we can be as merry as he. But when every day is Christmas, we must keep our self-respect, we must keep our fraternal attitude toward men. We must realize that we are the seed of the ordained King, brothers of men and children of God, reborn out of our self-imposed inferiority, out of the beggar complex which would receive, into the royal line that gives.

Knowing this we will laugh and grow fat. Some day in another age, men may be born again by the salvation of Santa Claus. Then they will look back upon this as a mean and sordid age. Some posterity may see us now only as men who sought to take, men who would ask and beg and gouge and grind, before they learned to give and bless, and before they knew they were worthy to rattle out the keen laughter of proud hearts.

All the world then will shake its excess abdominal adipose "like a bowl full of jelly." So when you meet the happy god, hold him fast; every day you can keep him through the year makes you happier and the world better.

All hail Santa Claus, the prophet of the new order.

THE TINYMITES

BY HAL COCHRAN



(READ THE STORY, THEN COLOR THE PICTURE)

Today is sure a busy day, with not much time for fun or play. You see, old Santa's got to pack things for his trip tonight. The Tinymites are all on hand. They think the great excitement's grand, and so they're helping with the job, with all their main and might.

It's lots of fun to hear them shout as things are, one by one, brought out and stacked in monstrous piles along the pretty snowy road. The reindeers all are set to go. They're nervous and they seem to know that they'll be on their way as soon as Santa packs his load.

"My goodness," shouted Scouty loud, "you sure must call on quite a crowd. I've never seen so many toys. Just think what fun they'll bring." And Santa said, "The girls and boys all o'er the land will get these toys. Be sure and pack all that you see. I mustn't miss a thing."

They worked for several hours at least, and all the time the load increased, 'till all the things in Santa Land were loaded in the sleigh. Then Santa said, "We'll eat a bite, before we start our ride tonight. I know where there's some tasty food. Come on, I'll show the way."

So, soon they sat down to a meal of things he knew would quite appeal. The Tinymites all ate a lot. It tasted mighty good. Then Santa cracked his trusty whip and said, "I'm ready for my trip as soon as I put on my coat, my mittens and my hood."

The Tinymites all yelled "Hurray," then climbed aboard the toy-filled sleigh. Old Santa waited patiently, and then they hear him cry, "Giddap, you reindeers. Come, let's leave. There's heaps to do this Christmas eve." And then old Santa's sleigh went sailing quickly through the sky.

(The Tinymites go coasting in their next story.)

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SAINT and SINNER

"No, sir. There wasn't anybody but me, sir and Mr. Cluny. I was the only one that wasn't allowed to go to the wedding sir. He wanted me to be here to let Mr. Hathaway in— Mr. Robert Hathaway— his nephew, who was coming for him to take him to the church at eight forty-five. And he wanted me to be here after the wdding, in case messages and visitors came. I didn't think there would be any visitors myself, seeing as how everybody was going to the Randolph reception after the wedding, and Mr. Cluny was then going straight to the train, without coming home—"

"You're digressing, Mary," the coroner smiled slightly. "Stick to the story of what you know happened in this house after eight o'clock yesterday evening."

"That's what I'm trying to do, sir," Mary Kearney answered indignantly. "But I have to explain things, don't I? Well, sir, Mrs. Barnes—she's the housekeeper —and Minnie Cassidy the housemaid, and Bunny Smith, the cook, and the outside man, that's Tony Salvatore A wop, he is, all left in the servant's car at about eight o'clock.

"Mr. Cluny was in the library, going over some papers, when I took him a whiskey and soda at ten minutes past eight. It looked like passports and railroad tickets to me. He had his drink and talked to me a few minutes about my vacation. I was going to have three months on half pay while he was in Europe—and then he said he was going upstairs to dress. He told me to go ahead of to his room on the second floor and him and draw his bath. I went up saw his wedding clothes laid out on the bed, everything ready for him to put on.

"Yes, sir," she nodded sulkily, as the coroner tapped suggestively with his gavel again. "I'm hurrying. Well, I went into the bathroom and turned on the hot and cold water to just the way he liked it. Then I waited around until he came up, to see if there wa sanything else I could do for him. He said there wesn't.

"While I was in the pantry, putting away the tray and things, there was a ring at the front door bell. It was snowing pretty hard and the wind was blowing, so I didn't open the door wide, but I did look out, to see how the young lady had come.

"I was struck all of a heap, sir, because the young lady was the bride herself, Miss Cherry Lane and she was the last person I expected to see."

"You know Miss Lane well enough to be certain of her identification?" the coroner inquired.

"Oh, yes, sid. She's been at the house a lot since her and Mr. Cluny has been engaged. And she spoke to me, called me 'Mary,' sir. Isaid, 'How do you do, Miss Cherry. Ain't you gonna be late to the wedding?'"

"What did Miss Lane say, Mary?"

"She didn't answer my question, sir. She pushed past me into the hall, and said, read breathless 'I've got to see Mr. Cluny, Mary —right now. Where is he' I told her he was dressing in his bedroom, and wouldn't want to be disturbed in that condition, sir, and told her I'd call him on the house phone. But she ran past me up the stairs, quick as lightning. I peeped out of the door I was still holding open a little ways and I saw—" she paused, as for dramatic effect.

"Go on, Mary. What did you see?"

Mary Kearney folded her handkerchief to her entire satisfaction before answering the coroner's question. To Faith, straining forward in her seat, it seemed as if the maid was bent on keeping the spotlight upon herself as long as possible.

"Well, sir, there was a man sitting in the car, at the steering wheel. The window of the car was down about half way, so he could stick his arm out to make traffic signals, you know, and I saw his face side view. It was Mr. Chris Wiley, sir."

"How do you know it was Mr. Wiley, Mary? Do you know him personally?" the coroner demanded sharply.

"Oh, yes sir, everybody knows Mr. Wiley by sight anyway. And I used to work for his sister, Mrs. John Bemis.. Mr. Chris used to come to the house frequently."

"All right, Mary, go on. What happened after Miss Cherry ran up the stairs?"

Mary Kearney blushed and dropped her eyes for a moment, then lifted her head and went on defiantly. "I stayed downstairs for a minute or two, then I thought—I thought Mr. Cluny might need me for something and I went upstairs. I thought I ought to listen a minute before knocking—"

"Eavesdropping, eh?" Coroner Murchison grinned.

"I didn't intend to eavesdrop, sir," Mary Kearney retored. "But I didn't want to butt in if I wasn't needed."

"Well, the truth is, you listened outside the door, Mary. Now tell us what you heard."

"I couldn't hear everything they said, sir, because the door's thick, and the walls too. But when they raised their voices real loud I could hear plain as day. About the first thing I heard was Miss Cherry screaming out, 'But I can't Ralph! I can't marry you! I thought I could go through with it, but I can't!' Her voice sounded like she was crying."

"Oh!" Faith covered her face with her hands.

"Keep a stiff upper lip, darling, for Cherry's sake," Bob whispered to her.

"And what did Mr. Cluny answer, Mary Be careful to tell only what you heard, and exactly what you heard," Coroner Murchison warned her.

"I didn't hear what he said, but his voice was soothing and low, like he was laughing at her a little,' Mary Kearney replied.

"Then I heard Miss Cherry cry out, 'I'm going to marry Chris, and you can't stop me! I won't marry you, I won't I say! You can't force me to!' And then Mr. Cluny shouted at her, 'You're not going to make a fool of me like this, Cherry! I can and will force you to keep your word You won't leave this room until Bob comes, then you'll go home with him and dress for your wedding. I'm not going to have any nonsense at this late hour.'"

"What then, Mary?" the coroner prodded, as the maid paused to enjoy the sensation she had created.

"Then I heard Miss Cherry scream. 'I'll kill myself first. I'd rather be dead!' And then I heard her run across the room and fling herself against the door. I backed away, but Mr. Cluny opened the door real quick and looked out into the hall. I saw him plain. He was holding Miss Cherry by the arm, and she was crying and pounding at him with her fists.

"Then Mr. Cluny say me backed up against the wall, and he was terrible mad. He shouted at me, 'Go downstairs and stay in the kitchen 'till I ring for you!' I started to run downstairs, and he came out in the hall, and shut the door, with Miss Cherry inside, beating on the door. He said to me, he said, 'Mary if you tell anything you've heard here tonight, you'll be discharged without notice. Now go and stay in the kitchen until Mr. Hathaway comes. Send him upstairs, but you needn't come up yourself.' Well I ran downstairs and didn't hear anything else until Mr. Hathaway rang the door-bell at a quarter of nine."

"How far is the kitchen from the front stairs, Mary?" Coroner Murchison asked, his face very grave.

MONDAY—The coroner opens fire on Mary Kearney herself.

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by Clifford L. Webb and Ernest Lynn

WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE

To the home of PROF and MOLLIE ELWELL in Camdenville, Ind., one night in October, 1898, comes MARTHA DALTON, a nurse, bearing a woman who had fainted on a train.

Elwell is an artist. He has a son, JIM, aged 5. Late that night the woman bears twin girls and dies without revealing her name.

The story then moves forward 18 years. The twins, now growing to beautiful womanhood, have been adopted and named MARGARET and ELIZABETH. They have been nicknamed RUSTY and BETTY.

Jim Elwell enlists in the World War. He then discovers one of the twins is in love with him.

Put in charge of a machine gun unit, he is shell-shocked and, through a mixup, is registered as JOHN POWELL. He is removed to an American hospital and reported dead. The family gets the news of his death and is heartbroken.

It then is discovered that the father of the twins is dead and that they are the nieces of the wealthy JOHN CLAYTON of Indianapolis. They all go to the Clayton home, where, after a short stay, a party is given in honor of the twins and FREDDIE LAWRENCE, a conceited young fool, has Betty go through the motions of registering before a movie camera. He tries to kiss her.

NOW BEGIN THE STORY

CHAPTER XXII

BETTY'S hand suddenly had slipped up and pushed Freddie Lawrence's face away.

It was not a gentle push. Into it she had packed a good deal of the muscular power of her strong little body, and Freddie's face went back with violence.

"Pardon me, Mr. Lawrence," she said sweetly, "but this is where the action stops," and she slipped away and out of his hands.

"Haw! Haw!" The youth named Phillips was guffawing heartily, and suddenly seized with inspiration, he started a salvo of handclapping.

John Clayton smiled broadly "That was the best I've seen in a long time," he confided to Prof and Mollie "Freddie's little game didn't work that time."

Freddie was rubbing his nose. It was a tender nose and it had been rudely treated by Betty. It began to grow red, and it looked as if it was getting ready to swell.

One of the girls sympathetically offered her powder puff. Freddie although it was plain to be seen that his ego had suffered a terrible wallop, moved over to Betty and very graciously congratulated her on having bested him at his little game.

"You see," the sweet young thing in red was explaining to Rusty, "he has worked this so many times on different girls that we have enjoyed this immensely."

"But," Mollie Elwell protested to John Clayton, "won't he think it rather rude of Betty? Won't the other young people be displeased?"

"Nothing of the kind, my dear," he assured her. "You must remember that people who have money very often fail to worry about their manners. The joke's on Freddie, and Betty has nothing to be sorry for As a matter of fact, with the possible exception of Freddie Lawrence everyone here owes the young lady a debt of gratitude for entertaining them."

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Mollie Elwell's first peep under the shell of the "smart set" she had heard so much about was something of a disappointment to her. She had thought to have her ears regaled with epigrams of sparkling wit scintillating repartee and disquisitions on art, literature and music Instead she heard a continuous flow of spicy scandal and a line of slang that would have made Jim at his best seem like a church deacon.



"Pardon me, Mr. Lawrence, but this is where the action stops."

Also she had overheard a flapper of eighteen summers demand to know of a young man, without any attempt whatever to make her question secretive, whether he had anything on his hip.

The night after the party for the twins John Clayton brought up the subject.

"I shouldn't wonder," he said, "if your mild little touch of high life last night would last you for some time. Still, I noticed that you seemed to get some enjoyment out of the party. You were smiling most of the time."

"Oh," answered Mollie, smiling still, "I was rather interested—in a way. And I had to look cheerful, you know, whether I felt that way or not."

Prof, sitting close at hand and contentedly smoking one of John Clayton's fifty-cent cigars, couldn't let that one go by. He had to sink a harpoon into it.

"At that, John," he remarked, calling the girls' uncle by his first name for the first time, "anyone can smile and keep on smiling and still not get red in the face about it. Wasn't it the well known Cheshire cat that tried to look cheerful and even grinned at the antics of the king's fool?"

John Clayton laughed. He liked Prof's quaint way. "Your comparison is not badly chosen," he made reply, "and the Cheshire cat, I dare say, Prof, was a wise old cat that knew sweet cream from curdled milk. And even so, you'll remember that the king's fool was just an actor on the stage of his day. He played his little part, as we all play our own little parts, in the comedy of life Court customs of that day called for a king to employ a clown with cap and bells. Like the hardworked business man of today, the king required a little diversion at times. All work and no fun makes of life a dull thing, just as all fun and no work seldom fail in time to produce a jaded appetite for play.

"No matter how much of a taste one has for sweetmeats, if kept on an exclusive diet of them that taste in time would become satiated. And yet the taste could be retained if sharpened occasionally by the salt acid of a dill pickle, the most plebian of appetizers.

"It is the same with the greatest masterpieces of literature or music They will pall on the mind if never flavored with the leavening qualities of commonplace things. A jazz tune, once in a while is to the musical taste what a cocktail is to the physical; it lends zest to the appetite for richer foods.

"A proper balance, that is the thing—a happy medium. Grandfather's clock ran true for ninety years against the wall because its tick was regulated by a properly balanced pendulum. So it is in the social life of today—I hope you won't think I'm lecturing, but I think there are certain things about life today that call for complaint and criticism. Not all of society, by any means—I don't mean society in the broad sense but the society of the Sunday papers—either in this city or elsewhere, is made up of vain and frivolous women and brainless men like Freddie Lawrence, for instance The people you saw last night constitute just the froth, the air filled bubbles in the brew of society that rise to the top like the froth on beer But you and I like our beer at times and we like to see the froth because it is a part of the whole, and yet we blow it away or drink through it when we drink our beer."

Prof nodded slowly. "You're right. And the girls—they must see life in its various aspects in order to get a sense of proper values."

Mollie laughed. She was worrying, she said, about Freddie Lawrence's nose. "You see," she explained at Clayton's laugh, "you don't understand the training those girls have had. You never heard, I suppose, about the time that Rusty laid out the prizefighter with a croquet ball."

Clayton hadn't. "I'd have given a thousand dollars to see it. Tell me." Mollie did, and her voice grew very soft when she mentioned Jim—gay-hearted, laughing Jim, who lay somewhere in a grave in France. . .

The end of that week brought the first separation of the girls' lives from Prof and Mollie.

The Elwells were compelled to go back, they told John Clayton, because of work Prof had contracted for. They left, however, with the understanding that Rusty and Betty should come to Camdenville the following Friday for the week-end.

They returned to the home where Jim and the girls had been born with heavy hearts, bowed down with a new loneliness. The mantle of sorrow that seemed to hang over the place was doubly oppressive now that the girls no longer were with them. Every chair, every article of furniture seemed to bring back poignant memories of the days when the voices of Jim and his pals had rung through the house.

The evening was even worse. Both, with their chairs drawn close to each other, sat at the table in the sitting room for an hour, trying to read. It was a dismal failure. Depression clutched at their hearts with a hand like ice, and finally Mollie could stand it no longer.

"Oh, Prof, dear," she wailed, "how are we ever going to stand it? I can hear my boy's voice calling me, calling all the time. Oh, my boy, my boy, your mother's heart is breaking!"

Prof blinked rapidly and swallowed hard to force down the lump that had come up in his throat, and then leaning forward he took her two hands in his own.

"It's tough, Mollie girl," he said with an effort, "mighty tough. But dear, you know there are thousands of other parents who have lost their boys."

They must remember, he said, that for more than twenty-four years God had given them a joy and happiness that only a few are given. "Into all lives, you know, Mollie, some grief must come; some days must be dark and dreary. Sometime, somewhere, perhaps, we'll meet up with Jim again. Then, my dear, these days will be forgotten. So brace up, old comrade, and keep a stiff upper lip. You are still my Mollie girl, and life still holds much for us."

He spoke, however, with a cheerfulness he was far from feeling. He was telling himself that neither he nor Mollie would ever be able to lift up their hearts again in the old time happiness.

But Dame Destiny, in her little game with the Elwell family, was distributing her pawns again and in a strange manner. At noon on the following day, just fifteen hours after Prof Elwell had finished telling Mollie that the sun would shine again for them, the dark cloud hanging over the old home broke and the sun's bright gleam streamed through its rifts.

And a grand old sun it was. Prof was perched by the dining room window when the messenger boy knocked at the front door, and through eyes that danced fantastically he read the news that his son, Jim Elwell, was still alive.

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Jim is alive, but Prof and Mollie do not know that his is a living death.

BLANK-BLANKETY-BLANK TELLS ALL OF SILENT NIGHT

Radio Listeners Given Poor Enjoyment by Radio Gods

Chicago, Dec. 24 —(AP)— "Blank-blankety-blank" very adequately describes that which was squeezed from the air by Chicago's collection of silent night listeners this week. Even the most active dial mechanics gave it up after logs that ranged from one to not more than five.

The period was such as to lead those not conversant with the calender to belive that they were back in the hectic sessions of last winter when the "well-known magnetic blanket" played such havoc.

There were spots on the dials where not even static could be heard pulled in, the signal was so weak and so buried in static that ear-straining was in order to learn who was breaking through.

Probably the most unusual thing about the session was the fact that conditions were "nix" for real radio activity. And in many cases came stories of tedious examinations of receivers to find out what was wrong, the listeners as usual blaming the thing closest at hand for their difficulties. Many of them apparently had forgotten what air conditions like those of last winter can do to healthy signals. They had been led to expect nothing but the best by previous good silent nights this season.

Comparatively warm weather may have been behind the lack of signals, but one recalls that sun-spots, which are known to have a magnetic effect upon the earth, caused much of last season's troubles.

The fastest log that could be gleaned from the lists at hand looked this: WJZ, New York, loudest, followed in order of volume by WPG, Atlantic City; KDKA, Pittsburgh; WEMC, Berrien Springs, Mich., and last and weakest, WSUI, Iowa City, Iowa.

Woman Gives Her Farm to Illinois Wesleyan

Bloomington, Ill., Dec. 23—(AP)—Mrs. Anna Gulick of Manteno, has made the Illinois Wesleyan University an annuity gift of a farm located in Iriquois County, which some 17 years ago cost her $60,000, according to an announcement made by President William J. Davidson.

Mrs. Gulick has been a resident of Manteno many years and a member of the Methodist church there, always taking much interest in the musical part of the program of that church. She has been a piano student with prominent teachers in Chicago and has long taught piano students in Manteno.

Commercial production of asbestos is now going on in Navajo county, Arizona, opening up new mines in that part of the United States.

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You do not have to wait for improvement. It quickly shows. You can get a little jar of Rowles Mentho-Sulphur at any drug store.

High Court Denies Writ to Compel Reassessments

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 23.—(AP)—A writ of mandamus to compel the Cook County Board of Review to reassess 8,000 parcels of property, which were described as under-assessed $1,006,425,119 was denied by the supreme court this morning. The relief desired should be sought in the circuit or superior court, the court advised.

The petition for a writ was filed by the Chicago Board of Education, which declared that the board of review had heard only 200 of 9,200 complaints of under assessment.

Refusing the writ the supreme court said—"by reason of the late date of filing, it is apparent from the petition itself that this court would be unable to grant the relief sought this term—and by reason of the allegations in the petition it is apparent that the court would be unable to grant relief sought in less time than could be done in the local circuit or superior court."

The state flower of Arizona is the Sahauro, the bloom of the giant cactus(a large, waxen, white blossom.

Beautiful Christmas Seals in heavy gold to be used on Christmas Packages. B. F. Shaw Printing Co.

TEX. LAND TRUST STOCK SELLS AT $2.040 A SHARE

$240 Rise in Price of Stock Set Record for Exchange

New York, Dec. 23—(AP)—Jumping as much as 100 points on sales of ten share lots, Texas Pacific Land Trust stock today achieved the distinction of being the first issue to sell above $2,000 a share on the New York Stock Exchange. Less than a hundred shares changed hands in the forenoon trading with the price mounting from $1,800 to $2,040.

Early this year the shares were quoted as low as $510. The discovery of potash on the company's property and a large increase in revenues from mineral and oil leases stimulated the demand for the stock which is closely held.

The previous high record for a security on the exchange was established by Atlantic Refining, which sold at $1,575 a share before declaration of a 900 percent stock dividend in 1922.

Woods Will Not Vote in Cargo Case if Nominated

Washington, Dec. 23—(AP)—If confirmed as a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission, Cyrus E. Woods would take no part in the decision of the pending lake cargo controversy said Senator Reed of Pennsylvania today after a talk with President Coolidge.

The senator said some opposition had arisen on the ground that the president had nominated Woods in an attempt to "pack" the commission prior to decision of this case which involves a dispute between southern and other mining sections as to coal rates to lake ports.

Jury Awarded $15,750 Verdict Against R. R.

Owatonna, Minn., Dec. 23—(AP)—A verdict of $15,750 was returned by a jury yesterday in district court here against the C. R. I. & P. railroad company for E. T. Nealis, of Joliet, Ill., as special administrator of the estate of Dennis J. Nealis, deceased.

The plaintiff claimed that Nealis was killed April 20 last while working as a switchman for the Rock Island Railroad. The representative asked for $40,000.

Increase in Crop Fall Pigs Shown by Survey

Washington, Dec. 23.—(AP)—An increase of about four per cent in the fall pig crop of 1926 in the eleven corn belt states was shown in the December pig survey made public today by the department of agriculture.

An increase of less than 1 per cent was shown in the combined spring and fall crops and no increase was indicated in the spring crop of 1927. A probable decrease in hog slaughtering during the marketing year 1926-27 was set forth.

Voluntary military training at Pomona college, Claremont, Cal., is more successful than the compulsory system, abandoned two yeads ago, said Maj. George A. Sanford, commandant of the Reserve Officer's Training Corps.

Northwestern University trys to take some of the sting out of a child's visit to the dentist. A children's playroom resembling a garden, has been installed in the dental clinic, where various amusements take the child's mind off the "ordeal."

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Take wing and quickly fly away,
But may the happiness they bring be yours, my friends
On this glorious Christmas Day.

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We're wishing for you
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VETERINARIANS OF DISTRICT TO MEET IN FREEPORT SOON

Clinic of Instruction In Avian Tubercul osis is Object

Freeport, Ill., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Under direction of Dr. Harry Chamberlain, specialist in avian tuberculosis eradication, a clinic will be held here the first week in January for the instruction of veterinarians, to enable them to qualify for state service in anti-tuberculosis campaigns.

Arranged by the Mississippi Valley Veterinarians Association, the clinic will attract approximately 100 veterinarians for whose services against avian tuberculosis a distinct demand has been created.

For the detection and removal of fowls infected with tuberculosis, the program recently instituted by S. J. Stannard, director of the state department of agriculture, requires the service of veterinarians who have proven skillful in administering the test.

Tuberculosis in chickens, as in cattle, is detected by the reaction from a serum administered by an intra-dermal injection. The serum, called tuberculin, is a product of the University of Illinois and is supplied gratis through the state department of agriculture. It is injected between the folds of the wattle by means of an hyperdermic needle. After eighteen hours, if the specimens under test are infected, a lump or lesion appears in the wattle. If the chicken is free from the disease, no lump appears.

In the beginning, Dr. Chamberlain began instructing other veterinarians. Now, nine veterinarians, who serve in seven counties, have been recommended as proficient in the work. They are Drs. J. W. Oltmanns, Watseka; C. B. Bell, Tuscola; F. C. Yabsley, Cincna Park; T. J. Foster, Monticello; S. J. Lewis, Sullivan; T. I. Graham, Arthur; A. B. Blecht, McNabb; L. T. Overheim, Elizabeth; and R. B. H. Drum, Saybrook.

Dr. Chamberlain has made engagements for services in various parts of central and northern Illinois for his entire time until well into March. During February, schools of instruction probably will be held at Sheldon, Shabbona and Blandinsville.

FRANKLIN GROVE NEWS NOTES

Franklin Grove, Dec. 23.—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Weisewhaar, a daughter, Dec. 22, at the Dixon hospital. The little one has been named Mary Virginia. Mrs. Weisewhaar will be remembered as Virginia Spealman.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stewart are expected tomorrow night from Chicago to spend a few days at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stewart.

Miss Helen Adams spent Tuesday in Lee Center visiting the school there, of which she was a teacher several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Lahman left yesterday for Kalamazoo, Mich., where they will visit at the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Lahman.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Smith and family were entertained with dinner Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Over.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Casper and son of Rochelle were Monday visitors at the home of her uncle, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stewart.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Weitzel returned home Tuesday from their auto trip through the east. They visited relatives at Akron, O., and in Pennsylvania.

Miss Irene Walker who is attending the State Normal at DeKalb is spending the holiday vacation at the home of her mother, Mrs. Christina Walker.

Miss Gwendolyn Dysart who is attending the State University at Champaign is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Dysart.

Wilford and Joseph Lahman who are attending the University of Illinois are visiting at the home of their parents, Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Lahman.

Mrs. Bessie Wright entertained with dinner Sunday her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Maronde and son Howard.

L. L. Brewer having attained the age to be retired from active service of the C. & N. W. railway is now at his home at this place and will spend the winter months here.

Miss Clara DurWkes of Coldbrook, Ia., is visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. E. Durkes .

Miss Esmerald Buohiteman was a week end guest with her sister in Chicago.

Miss Viola Peterson who teaches in the local public school was a week end guest at the home of her parents at Geneva.

Miss Dorothy Durkes who teaches school in N. Dakota will be home to spend the holiday vacation.

Miss Winnifred Hausen who teaches music in the Mendota schools is spending the holiday vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Hausen.

The Emmert School Community club had their monthly meeting Friday afternoon at the school.

Mrs. LeRoy Lahman received word that her mother, Mrs. David Gnagy was in an auto accident and had several ribs broken. The Gnagy family live in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Morris will entertain during the holiday vacation Mrs. Alice Morris and daughters Mrs. Dessie Hartwell and Miss Lucille Morris of Chicago.

Miss Irene Ackerman who teaches at Berwyn, Ill., is spending the holiday vacation at the home of her mother, Mrs. K. Ackerman.

Preaching services at the Lutheran church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, the hermon will be preached in English.

Services in the Methodist church Sunday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

Preaching services in the Presbyterian church Sunday morning at 10:30.

Services by the Brethren at the Lutheran church Sunday morning at 10:30 and Sunday evening at 7:00.

Mrs. Glenn Wagner and her pupils enjoyed their Christmsa program last evening at the Dysart school, south of town. They invited the public and from what we hear the public was certainly there. The school house was filled as well as the school yard and all had a good time. After the splendid program a large goose, several cakes, candy and cigars were raffled off. Nearly $60 was realized from the raffle which will be used for books for the library. As a treat to the crowd from the teacher and parents sandwiches, coffee, pickles and pie were served. Everybody went home with a sack of candy and were happy ot have attended the Christmas exercises at the Dysart school.

Mrs. Vernon Smith resigned her position in the telephone office recently. Mrs. Blanche Royster who was night operator will be chief operator in Mrs. Smith's place and Miss Grace Miller will be night operator.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Sidell were called to Rockford Tuesday night by the serious illness of his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Smith entertained with a 6 o'clock dinner Monday, Mr. and Mrs. John Shueey of Hastings, Neb., Mr. and Mrs. John Cover of this place.

We have been informed by one who makes daily trips from Geneva to Clinton, Ia., that the main street in our village is the most attractive between the two places named. The Community tree is certainly a beautiful tree with the lights on. Monday the boulevard lights were colored red nad blue with the one white light, which added muc hot the beauty of the street. When Franklin does anything it does it just right and always wins the admiration of the outside folks.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shueey of Hastings, Neb., are visiting at the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. John Cover. The Shueey people had been visiting relaties in the east and stopped here on their way home.

Miss Elizabeth Doden who has been staying with a family near Rochelle for several weeks is now at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Doden.

Miss Elizabeth Durkes of Urbana is visitnig at the home of her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Durkes.

Tom Norris is visiting relatives at Chestnut, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bates were Dixon visitors Friday.

OBITUARY MRS. MARY BUCK

Mary Catherine Riddlesbarger, daughter of Daniel and Susan Riddlesbarger, was born in Waynesboro, Penn., June 20, 1843. In her early girlhood she came to Illinois with her parents and lived for several years near the Kingdom. She was married to Chillian Buck October 23, 1864. Mr. Buck passed to the Great Beyond January 13, 1919. To this union were born six children, three sons and three daughters. One son William, died at the age of three years.

The eldest son, Emery, lives at Oak Park, Ill. Mrs. C. L. Clark, Rockford, Mrs. William Underwood at Dixon, Dorsie at Franklin Grove, and the youngest daughter, Miss Nona, who lived with her mother and whose loving care and thoughtfulness are known to all who live here and was greatly appreciated by the brothers and sisters. One sister, Mrs. Anna Sollenberger of Fairbury, Nebraska remains. There are thirteen grandchildren.

Mrs. Buck joined the church of the Brethren in 1865, remaining a loyal member until her death. Ever faithful to her church and its interests, loving it sincerely and ever obeying its rules. She loved and served her family devotedly. Loved her many friends and neighbors and always took an active interest in the community in which she lived.

Those to whom she so affectionately ministered know she is now

"Secure from every mortal care,
By sin and sorrow vexed no more;
Eternal happiness they share
Who are not lost but gone before."

Mrs. Buck was taken ill Sept. 21 and passed from this life Dec. 14, being 83 years, 5 months and 14 days olld.

The funeral services, held in the Methodist church at 1:30 o'clock Thursday December 16, were conducted by the pastor of the Brethren church, Rev. O. D. Buck, assisted by the pastor of the Methodist church, Rev. Loyal Sitler.

Relatives and friends from a distance were, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Fissel and daughter Merle of Freeport, Mrs. Nannie Poolock of Mt. Morris, Mrs. Ben Bates of Dixon, Mr. George Buck, Cicero, Mr. and Mrs. Emery Buck, Oak Park, Mrs. G. A. Keith of Austen and Mrs. Maggie Buck of Dixon.

"So live that when thy summons come to join
The innumerable caravan that moves
To that mysterious realm where each shall take
His chamber in the silent halls of death,
Thou go—not like the galley slave at night,—
Scourged to his dungeon; but sustained and soothed
By an unfaltering trust, approach thy grave
Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch about him
And lies down to pleasant dreams."

Miss Helen Adams who teaches school at Erie, came Friday afternoon for a two weeks visit at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stewart.

Miss Josephine Durkes who is attending college at Normal, Ill., is spending the holiday vacation at the home of her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Durkes.

Miss Maude Conlon, who teaches school at Rochelle closed her school Friday afternoon for a two weeks vacation to spend it with her mother, Mrs. Hannah Conlon.

Miss Margaret Gilroy who is attending the State Normal at DeKalb is spending the holiday vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Gilroy.

Miss Gracia Graves, who teaches school at Sioux City, Iowa, is spending the holiday vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Graves.

Miss Flora Wicker went to Chicago Friday afternoon where she visited relatives until Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Herwig moved Monday from their farm to their new residence in this town.

Miss Pearl Albright who teaches school at Berwyn, Ill., is spending the holiday vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Albright.

Miss Lois Crawford who is attending college at DeKalb, is visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. Virgie Crawford.

Miss Nona Buck went to Rockford Tuesday where she will visit at the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark.

Mrs. Howard Bratton of West Chicago was a visitor Friday at the home of her sister Mr. and Mrs. John Baker.

Miss Ada Wingert was a Dixon visitor Friday.

THE PICTURE STORY OF 1926—(13)

Sketches by Kroesen Synopsis by Braucher



June 26—Between 500 and 1000 people were killed in flood at Leon, State of Guanajuato, Mexico.



July 7—President and Mrs. Coolidge arrived at White Pines Camp in the Adirondacks for their vacation.



July 8—Attorney General Sargent ruled that the Department of Commerce has no authority to control radio broadcasting.



July 10—More than a score were killed and property damaged to extent of $150,000,000 when lightning struck TNT and wrecked Lake Denmark (N. J.) arsenal.

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Firelane Scheme Gets Introduction in Conn.

Hartford, Conn.—(AP)—Firelanes in city residential districts, counterparts of the "dead lines" or fire lanes in forests as barriers against the sweep of a conflagration, have been advocated by a municipal code of Hartford, known among its sister municipalities as "The Insurance City."

The idea underlying the plan is that rows of fire proof buildings on main thoroughfares through sections closely settled with homes would make "fire walls" against a jump of flames from one block into another and give fight-ground against a conflagration in a particular block. The proposed changes provide an inner fire zone wherein all buildings should be fireproof; a belt around this inner zone which would be bisected by the six fire-lanes, and outside of all the residential section in which frame construction would be unhampered.

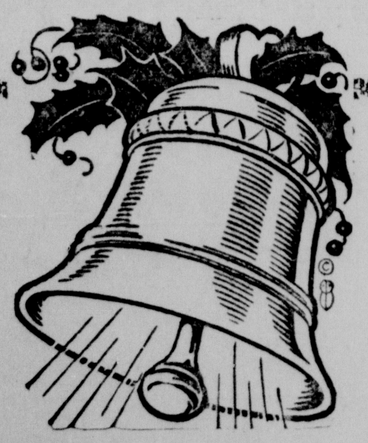
Elgin Watch Co. Votes Bonus to Its Employes

Elgin, Ill., Dec. 23.—(AP)—The Elgin National Watch Company today declared a five per cent cash bonus for employes, payable Jan. 21, 1927. Approximately $300,000 will be distributed among 4400 employes.

"Success and Good Cheer Ever"

We hope that the cherished desires of your heart may come true this Christmas Day; that to them may be added an abundance of health, wealth and success in every earnest endeavor during the twelve months of the coming year.

The KATHRYN BEARD SHOPPE
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TO ONE AND ALL:

"A Merry Christmas, a joyful Holiday Season, and a New Year filled with twelve months of Health Happiness and Prosperity."

Dixon Fruit Co.

CHRISTMAS NOT FORGOT!

Just to show you we have not forgotten the friends of yore and to invite new ones to give us a chance.

To you both we wish with all our might



"A Happy Christmas and A Prosperous New Year!"

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GREETING

Not because it is an honored custom, but because of the sincerity of our appreciation, we take this opportunity to thank you for the part you have played in our business prosperity the past twelve months, and wish you a

Good Old Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

DISTILLED WATER ICE CO.

Greetings!



TO friend and stranger alike—Greetings! May you spend this glorious Yuletide season midst abundant plenty—Health, Wealth and all else that produces your conception of real Happiness!

Our Happiness will come in being of Service to you through the coming year.

THOMAS SULLIVAN
Druggist
115 First St. Dixon, Illinois



GOLDEN HOURS OF BLISS

May this holiday season be one of unusual satisfaction, with not a shadow to cross its golden hours; and may your cup be filled to overflowing with rich gifts of love, friendship and merited success in 1926.

SNOW WHITE BAKERY

To Our Friends—
Neighbors and Fellow Citizens, we wish
A Real - - Real - -
Happy Christmas
Welstead Electric Station
GUY WELSTEAD



KNOT HOLE NEWS

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Another year coming round the bend!

We wish we could tell all you Dixon people how much we appreciate the kindnesses you have shown us during the past year. But we can't begin to express it. You have been good to us, possibly better than we deserve, but we have tried hard to merit your patronage and we sincerely hope we have pleased you. Running a Lumber & Fuel business isn't all sunshine and roses. We have our troubles just the same as anybody else, and sometimes we think we have more than anybody else. But we can look back over the past year and recall a lot of mighty pleasant associations that more than compensate for the troubles we have had.

As we approach the New Year, we wish you all the joy and happiness in the world. We hope prosperity will tag around after you like a friendly dog and that 1927 will bring you 365 days of genuine happiness and contentment.



We have faith to believe that the coming year will be a prosperous one in this particular section of the country. We don't believe there is any community that offers greater opportunities for success than right here in Dixon. It's simply up to us to find these opportunities and develop them.

So, let's make it a big year for everybody.

We're going to help all we possibly can by giving a better Lumber & Fuel service than we've ever given before.

Other merchants in Dixon are making similar resolutions. We know because we've talked to them.

Let's make the old town hum. What do you say?

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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ON THE AIR

RADIO RIALTO

Tonight's outstanding radio programs as compiled by the Chicago Daily News are:

7 p.m. WLW (422.3) Cincinnati, "The Messiah". WQJ (447.5) Chicago, dramatic hour.

7:45 p.m.—WGY (379.5) Schenectady Christmas play "Star of the East."

8 p. m.—WBAL (246) Baltimore, Musical sketch "Christmas Eve."

8:15 p.m.—WMAQ (447.5) Chicago, Christmas poems.

8:30 p.m.—WGN (302.8) Chicago, Christmas carols.

9 p.m. KTHS (374.8) Hot Springs, Christmas concert.

9:30 p. m.—WCCO (416.4) Minneapolis-St.Paul, play "Dust of the Road"; WEAF (491.5) New York, Christmas carols, also by WGR, WLIT, WOC and WSAI.

10 p. m. —WRNY (373.8) New York, community singing.

11 p. m.—KFI (467) Los Angeles, Lucrezia Bori, prima donna, also by KPO.

11:45 p. m.—WDAF (365.6) Kansas City, Christmas program.

SATURDAY'S PROGRAM

5:00 P. M.

WGBS New York—Variety.
WBZ Springfield, Mass.—Variety.
WGY Schenectady—Orchestra.
WCAE Pittsburgh—Concert.
WTIC Hartford—Orchestra; news.
WEAF New York—Orchestra.
WOO Philadelphia—Sacred recital.

6:00 P. M.

WDBO Winter Park, Fla.—Variety.
WGHP Detroit—Orchestra.
WGN Chicago—Variety.
WGBS New York—Variety.
WBZ Springfield, Mass.—Variety.
WLS Chicago—Musical.
CKCL Toronto—Concert.
KGO Oakland, Calif.—Concert.
WDAF Kansas City — "School of the Air."
WLW Cincinnati—Organ.
WSB Atlanta—Sunday school lesson.
WMAQ Chicago—Organ; orchestra
WJZ New York—Orchestra.
WCAE Pittsburgh—Orchestra.
WRC Washington—Bible talk; orchestra.
WTIC Hartford — Quartet; Bible study.
WEAF New York — Orchestra; "The Messiah."
WJR Detroit—Orchestra.
KYW Chicago—Christmas program

7:00 P. M.

WGHP Detroit — Christmas program.
WORD Chicago—Orchestra.
WSM Nashville — Bedtime story; concert.
WLIB Chicago—Features.
KDKA Pittsburgh—Band concert.
WLS Chicago—Lullaby time; barn dance program.
WEBH Chicago—Classical.
WTAM Cleveland—Orchestra.
WOR Newark, N. J.—Musical.
WLW Cincinnati—Children's program; musical.
CNRO Ottawa—Orchestra.
KLDS Independence, Mo.—Christmas carols.
WQJ Chicago—Musical.
WJZ New York—Musical; Boston symphony orchestra. To WBZ and WGY.
KFNF Shenandoah, Ia.—Studio.
WTIC Hartford—Musical.
WOC Davenport—Musical.
WIP Philadelphia—Sports; recital.
WCX Detroit—Symphony orchestra.
WTAG Worcester, Mass.—Orchestra.

8:00 P. M.

WBBM Chicago—Orchestra.
WHK Cleveland—Orchestra.
WCAU Philadelphia—Variety.
WSM Nashville—BBarn dance program and popular music.
WGBS New York—Vocal and instrumental.
WJJD Chicago—Musical.
WHAS Louisville—Concert.
WLW Cincinnati—Orchestra.
WSB Atlanta—Concert.
KFO San Francisco—Variety.
CNRO Ottawa—Musical.
WMAQ Chicago—Musical.
WJZ New York—Concert.
KFNF Shenandoah, Ia.—Studio.
KFI Los Angeles—Variety.
WTIC Hartford—Musical varieties.
WBAP Fort Worth—Musical.
WOC Davenport—Musical.
KGW Portland—Concert.
WEAF New York — Walter Damrosch. To WGN, WGR, WSAI, WDAF, WTAM, WFI, WCCO, WCAE, WEEI, WOC, KSD.
WIP Philadelphia—Musical.
WJR Detroit—Studio.

9:00 P. M.

WBBM Chicago—Musical.
WHK Cleveland — Christmas program.
WORD Chicago—Studio.
WCAU Philadelphia—Orchestra.
WGN Chicago—Grand opera.
WGBS New York—Variety.
WBZ Springfield Mass.—Variety.
KNX Los Angeles—Variety.
KFAB Lincoln, Neb.—Musical.
KTHS Hot Springs, Ark.—Sports; dance music; organ.
WTAM Cleveland—Musical.
WKRC Cincinnati—Musical.
KPO San Francisco—Orchestra.
KLDS Independence, Mo.—Studio.
WMAQ Chicago—Theater revue.
WJZ New York—Musical.
WCAE Pittsburgh—Christmas program.
KFI Los Angeles—Orchestra.
WTIC Hartford—Orchestra.
WEAF New York—Musical. Tto WTAG.
WIP Philadelphia—Orchestra.
WJR Detroit—Orchestra.
WOW Omaha—Studio.

10:00 P. M.

WBBM Chicago — Orchestra and soloists.
WGN Chicago—Features.
WGBS New York—Musical.
KNX Los Angeles—Variety.
KTHS Hot Springs, Ark.—Musical.
CNRW Wninipeg—Orchestra.
WTAM Cleveland—Orchestra.
KHJ Los Angeles—Christmas program.
WCCO St. Paul-Minneapolis—Reports; orchestra.
WKRC Cincinnati—Musical.
KPO San Francisco—Orchestra.
WQJ Chicago—Musical.
KFI Los Angeles—Christmas program.
WRC Washington—Orchestra.
WBAP Fort Worth—Orchestra.
WEAF New York—Orchestra.
WIP Philadelphia—Organ.
WOW Omaha—Orchestra.

11:00 P. M.

WLIB Chicago—Songs; organ; orchestra.
WAHG Richmond Hill, N. Y.—Orchestra.
KNX Los Angeles—Variety.
KGO Oakland, Calif.— Dance tunes.
WEBH Chicago—Orchestra.
KHJ Los Angeles—Musical.
KFNF Shenandoah — Old-time music.
KFI Los Angeles—Popular.
WFAA Dallas —Orchestra.
CNRE Edmonton—Orchestra.

12:00 (Midnight)

WBBM Chicago—Nutty club.
WLIB Chicago—Orchestra.
KNX Los Angeles—Orchestra.
KFAB Lincoln, Neb.—Orchestra.
WLS Chicago—Earn dance program.
KGO Oakland, Calif.—Orchestra.
WDAF Kansas City—Frolic.
KFO San Francisco—Orchestra.
KFI Los Angeles—Radio club.
KGW Portland, Ore. — Dance program.

SUNDAY'S PROGRAM

10:00 A. M.

WDBO Winter Park, Fla.—Church services.
WORD Chicago—Choir.
KDKA Pittsburgh—Church service.
CFCA Toronto—Church services.
WGY Schenectady, N. Y.—Services.
WTAM Cleveland—Services.
WLW Cincinnati—Services.
WJZ New York—Church services.
WRC Washington—Church services.

2:00 P. M.

CKCL Toronto—Organ.
WGY Schenectady, N. Y.—Musical.
WTAM Cleveland—Musical.
WLW Cincinnati—Organ.
KLDS Independence, Mo.—Church services.
WEAF New York—Young people's conference.
WJR Detroit—Studio.

3:00 P. M.

WBBM Chicago—Orchestra.
WSM Nashville—Orchestra.
KDKA Pittsburgh—Organ; vespers.
CKCL Toronto—Men's service.
WDAF Kansas City—Orchestra.
WGY Schenectady, N. Y.—Instrumental. organ.
WTAM Cleveland—Musical.
WLW Cincinnati—Organ.
KLDS Independence, Mo.—Studio program.
WQJ Chicago—Musical.
WJZ New York—Vespers service.
WRC Washington—Services.
WEAF New York—Y. M. C. A. program. To WSAI, WCAE, WEEI, WCSH, WTAG.

4:00 P. M.

WBBM Chicago—Musical.
WGN Chicago—Musical.
KOA Denver—Concert.
WDAF Kansas City—Vesper services.
WJJD Chicago—Concert.
WGY Schenectady, N. Y.—Musical.
WHAS Louisville—Concert.

5:00 P. M.

WHK Cleveland—Orchestra.
WLIB Chicago—Vocal and instrumental.
KOA Denver—Vespers.
WJJD Chicago—Musicale.
WTAM Cleveland—Orchestra.
WSB Atlanta—Choir.
WBAP Fort Worth—Vespers.
WEAF New York—Talk; orchestra.
WHO Des Moines—Orchestra.

6:00 P. M.

KDKA Pittsburgh—Services.
WBZ Springfield, Mass.—Musical.
WLS Chicago — Little Brown church.
KGO Oakland, Calif.—Vespers.
WGY Schenectady, N. Y.—Musical.
WTAM Cleveland—Orchestra.
WOR Newark, N. J.—Musical.
WQJ Chicago—Musical.
WJZ New York—Variety.
KFI Los Angeles—Services.
WFAA Dallas—Radio Bible Class.
WOW Omaha—Bible study.

6:30 P. M.

WEAF New York—Major Edward Bowes orchestra. To WWJ, WCAE, WRC, WEEI, WJAR, KSD, WTAG

7:00 P. M.

WBAL Baltimore—Musical.
WORD Chicago—Orchestra.
WGN Chicago—Features; musical.
WBZ Springfield, Mass.—Musical.
WJJD Chicago—Orchestra.
WTAM Cleveland—Church services
KPO San Francisco—Organ.
WJZ New York—Musical. To WBZ and WGY.
KYW Chicago—Studio.

8:00 P. M.

WBBM Chicago—Musical.
WDBO Winter Park, Fla.—Musicale.
WCAU Philadelphia—Musical.
WSM Nashville—Church services,
KGO Oakland, Calif.—Concert; services.
WSB Atlanta—Church services.
WQJ Chicago—Vocal and instrumental.
WJZ New York—Orchestra; Godfrey Ludlow, violinist. To WBZ and WGY.
WFAA Dallas—Musical.
WHO Des Moines—Orchestra.

8:15 P. M.

WEAF New York—Quartet. To WGN, WGR, WSAI, WWJ, WTAM, WWFI, WCCO, WCAE, WRC, WEEI, WOC, WJAR, KSD, WTAG.

9:00 P. M.

WBBM Chicago—Orchestra.
WORD Chicago—Cheral singers.
WCAU Philadelphia—Orchestra.
KOA Denver—Band concert.
KFAB Lincoln—Musical.
KTHS Hot Springs, Ark.—Musical.
CNRW Winnipeg—Musical.
WTAM Cleveland—Orchestra.
KFAB Lincoln, Neb.—Musical.
WKRC Cincinnati—Classical.
WJZ New York —Musical. To KDKA, WBZ, WGY, WRC.
KFI Los Angeles—Organ.
WOC Davenport, Ia.—Musical.
WIP Philadelphia—Orchestra.
WJR Detroit—Church songs.

10:00 P. M.

WGN Chicago—Features.
KNX Hollywood, Calif.— Theater program.
KTHS Hot Springs, Ark.—Organ; orchestra.
WCCO St. Paul—Organ.
WKRC Cincinnati—Musical.
WQJ Chicago—Musical varieties.
KFI Los Angeles—Classical.
KYW Chicago—Classical.

11:00 P. M.

KNX Los Angeles—Feature.
KGO Oakland, Calif.—Concert.
KTHS Hot Springs, Ark.—Organ.
WKRC Cincinnati—Popular.
KFI Los Angeles— Orchestra.
WFAA Dallas—Orchestra.
WHO Des Moines—Musical.

MONDAY'S PROGRAM

5:00 P. M.

WBAL Baltimore—Sandman circle. orchestra.
WGHP Detroit—Concert.
WBZ Springfield, Mass.—Ensemble; orchestra.
WLS Chicago—Organ; sports.
WWJ Detroit—Orchestra.
WEBH Chicago—Musical.
WTAM Cleveland—Orchestra.
WCAE Pittsburgh—Concert.
WRC Washington—Musical.
WWTIC Hartford, Conn.—Variety.
WEAF New York—Musical.
WIP Philadelphia—Orchestra.
WCX Detroit—Dinner program.

6:00 P. M.

WBBM Chicago—Musical.
WBAL Baltimore—Musical.
WCOA Pensacola, Fla. — Army Band.
WHAD Milwaukee—Markets; organ.
KDKA Pittsburgh—Variety.
WBZ Springfield—Markets; organ; ensemble.
WLS Chicago—Variety.
WDAF Kansas City—School of the Air.
WGY Schenectady, N. Y.—Orchestra.
WLW Cincinnati—Orchestra.
WMAQ Chicago—Organ; orchestra
WJZ New York—Musical.
WCAE Pittsburgh—Concert.
WRC Washington—Orchestra.
WTIC Hartford, Conn.—Musical.
WEAF New York—Gypsies. To WSAI, WWJ, WDAF, WTAM, WLIT, WCAE, WEEI, WJAR, WCSH
WJR Detroit—Orchestra.
WOW Omaha—Orchestra; markets.
KYW Chicago—Bedtime story; concert.

7:00 P. M.

WBAL Baltimore—Studio.
WGHP Detroit—Orchestra.
WCAU Philadelphia—Musical.
KDKA Pittsburgh—Concert.
KOA Denver—Stocks; markets; concert.
WBZ Springfield, Mass.—Orchestra and soloists.
WWJ Detroit—Musical.
WTAM Cleveland—Orchestra.
WKRC Cincinnati—Public schools program.
WJZ New York—Orchestra.
KFNF Shenandoah, Ia.—Concert.
WRC Washington—Musical.
WWTIC Hartford, Conn.—Musical.
WEAF New York—Talk; musical; bok review. To WSAI and WLIT.
WCX Detroit—Studio.
KYW Chicago—Musical.
WTAG Worcester, Mass.—Variety.

8:00 P. M.

WDBO Winter Park, Fla.—Musical.
WBAL Baltimore—Studio.
WCOA Pensacola, Fla.—Musical.
WGHP Clearwater, Fla.—Musical.
WGHP Detroit—Musical.
WCAU Philadelphia—Variety.
WSM Nashville—Vocal and instrumental.
KDKA Pittsburgh—Light opera.
WABC New York—Musical.
WEMC Berrien Springs, Mich.—Variety.
WBZ Springfield, Mass.—Musical.
KGO Oakland, Calif.—Concert.
WRNY New York—Variety.
WCCO St. Paul-Mineapelnis—Vocal.
WKRC Cincinnati—American Legion program.
CNRO Ottawa, Ont.—Children's program.
musical.
WJZ New York—Musical.
KFNF Shenandoah—Poultry talk.
KFI Los Angeles— Variety.
WTIC Hartford, Conn.—Musical.
KGW Portland, Ore.—Concert.
WEAF New York—Music. lecture; House of Myths.
WJR Detroit—Orchestra.
WOW Omaha—Orchestra; markets.
KYW Chicago—Bedtime story; concert.

9:00 P. M.

WBAL Baltimore—Musical.
WRVA Richmond, Va.—Variety.
WHK Cleveland—Musical.
WCAU Philadelphia— Musical.
WSM Nashville—Dance music.
KOA Denver—Instrumental; choir.
WBZ Springfield, Mass.—Variety.
KNX Los Angeles—Musical.
KFAB Lincoln, Neb.—Musical.
WRNY New York—Orchestra.
KTHS Hot Springs, Ark.—Musical.
WTAM Cleveland—Studio.
WCCO St. Paul—Orchestra.
WLW Cincinnati—Musical.
KPO San Francisco—Musical.
WJZ New York—Musical.
KFI Los Angeles—Orchestra.
WRC Washington—Variety.
WTIC Hartford, Conn.—Musical.
KGW Portland, Ore.—Movie club; weather; markets sporting results.
WEAF New York—"Hansel and Gretal.' To' WSAI, WDAF, WLIT, WCAE, WRC, WJAR, WCSH, KSD, WOW Omaha, Neb.—Musical.
KYW Chicago—Classical.

10:00 P. M.

WBAL Baltimore—Orchestra.
WRVA Richmond, Va.—Variety.
WSM Nashville—Musical.
KDKA Pittsburgh—Concert.
KGO Oakland, Calif.—Gondoliers.
KTHS Hot Springs, Ark.—Musical.
WCCO St. Paul-Minneapolis—Markets; orchestra.
WLW Cincinnati—Concert.
KFO San Francisco—Organ.
WJZ New York—Musical.
WCAE Pittsburgh—Orchestra.
KFI Los Angeles—Vocal and instrumental.
WRC Washington—Theater program.
WBAP Fort Worth—Fiddlers.
WTIC Hartford, Conn.—Organ.
KGW Portland, Ore.—Concert.
WEAF New York—Orchestra.

11:00 P. M.

WRVA Richmond, Va.—Orchesetra.
WAHG Richmond Hill, N. Y.— Variety.
KNX Los Angeles—Courtesy program.
KGO Oakland, Calif.—Book review.
WKRC Cincinnati—Popular.
KFNF Shenandoah, Ia.—Old-time music.
KFI Los Angeles—Variety.
WBAP Fort Worth—Orchestra.
WHO Des Moines—Orchestra.

12:00 (Midnight)

WRVA Richmond, Va.—Musical.
CNRV Vancouver, B. C.—Dance music.
KNX Los Angeles—Feature program.
WDAF Kansas City—Frolic.

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Plans for Drive on Corn Borer Made

Washington, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Plans for a $10,000,000 campaign against the European corn borer now infesting parts of the American corn belt were submitted to President Coolidge today by Representative Purnell, republican of Indiana, who is preparing a bill to authorize the federal government to co-operate with the states in fighting the pest.

The Indiana representative outlined the general lines of his bill to the President which would require the $10,000,000 appropriation. He said the President was keenly alive to the corn borer danger and desired the federal government to do everything possible to combat it.

Denies Texas Oil Wells are Going to Salt Water

New York, Dec. 23.—(AP)—William Skelly, president of the Skelly Oil Co., one of the largest operators in the Pan-Handle fields in Texas, says there is no foundation for reports that wells south of the Canadian river in the Pan-Handle field are going to salt water. There is nothing unusual in the Pan-Handle area in this respect he asserted.

Distant Relative of the President Died in Iowa

Charles City, Ia., Dec. 23.—(AP)—Dr. James Coolidge, 67, said to be a distant relative of President Coolidge, died suddenly today from apoplexy.

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1926

The following described property, to-wit:—

8—Horses and Mules—8

Consisting of 1 pair mules 10 years old, extra good ones; 1 pair mules 14 years old, good team; 1 brown mare 12 years old; 1 grey mare 14 years old 1 bay horse 12 years old; 1 bay horse 14 years old; 1 nice gentle pony.

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Two wide tire wagons with triple boxes; one 8-foot Deering binder nearly new; McCormick Deering hay loader, new; Peoria drill; Hayes corn planter, new; Fordson tractor, good repair; 7-foot tandem disc; one 9-foot Budlong disc; 3 Tower cultivators; 10-foot Tower pulverizer; corn elevator 48-foot; Manure spreader; Bradley 12-inch gang; one 3-section wood drag new; 2-section iron drag; Endgate seeder; 3 sets double harness; Perfection milking machine; hay rack; 1½ h. p. gas engine; self feeder; 200 gallon gas tank; blacksmith forge, anvil; drill; thread cutters and many other articles

HOUSEHOLD GOODS—1 iron bed with springs; dresser, rocking chairs stand and some nice home rendered lard.

Free Lunch Served by Fulfs Bros. Sale to Commence at 10:00 a. m. sharp
Stand Rights Reserved.

TERMS OF SALE—All sums under $10.00 cash. Over that amount 7% for 10 months on good bankable notes. No property to be removed until settled for.

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KRIS KRINGLE TO FIND EVERYTHING READY FOR VISIT

Every Community in Illinois Decorated for St. Nicholas

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Kris Kringle will drive his reindeers over Illinois tonight and find all in readiness for his visit. Sleigh bells and carols, colored lights and thousands of Santas will usher in Christmas day from one end of the state to the other.

Community Christmas trees mark the holiday season. The American Legion has erected a 35-foot tree at Cairo and will provide gifts for the children in that southern Illinois city.

At Pontiac, the chamber of commerce has placed four trees on the court house square and eleven blocks of the business district are lined with small trees.

Business men of Harvard have provided a community tree and will give a celebration Christmas eve.

Carolers from the Elgin Y. M. C. A. will visit homes in that city Christmas eve and also will broadcast their songs over station WGN.

Students of Blackburn College at Carlinville Christmas carols last Sunday and Christmas eve. Santa will be present at the chamber of commerce community tree to hand out gifts to the young folks.

Neponset will witness an old-fashioned community Christmas program in the high school auditorium in addition ot the sacred programs in the churches.

Girls reserves from the Y. W. C. A. sang Christmas carols in the Peoria hospitals and the old men and women of St. Joseph's Home were entertained by the Daughters of Isabella. Christmas baskets were given out to the needy by the Peoria Kiwanis club.

More than 200 carolers will sing in the streets of Decatur Christmas eve and at midnight a selected group of the singers will broadcast their songs over station WJBL. The Decatur Salvation Army will hold its Christmas party in the high school next Monday and Tuesday.

Knights of Pythias erected a Christmas tree on the main street of Lexington and tonight will hand out presents to the children. Bands of school children also will go about the city singing carols.

Bloomington streets have been decorated in the business district with 250 small evergreen trees and the cluster light system has been furnished with red and green bulbs.

Several fraternities at the University of Illinois have entertained children of the Cunningham Home at Champaign and the Delta Sigma club of the Urbana high school has given a presentation of 'Birds Chrismtas Carol." The Salvation Army will follow its custom of giving baskets of provisions to needy families.

Light standards in the business district of Rock Island have been decorated with Christmas trees, each lighted with twenty colored globes. Erie also has its streets decorated with trees.

Quincy Loyal Order of Moose will have a thirty-foot tree and more than 1000 present ready tonight for distribution among the city's children.

Canton streets have been decorated with trees.

LEE CENTER NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Ulrich spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brown at Kankakee.

Mrs. Jacob Wagner of Ashton is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Roland Eisenberg.

Miss Leila Courtwright is employed as a nurse in a home near Oregon.

Rev. Mr. Carey will deliver a Christmas sermon Sunday morning and there will be appropriate music.

Miss Amy Eigenbrode spent Monday night with Miss Ruth Phillips in Franklin Grove.

Lodge No. 146 A. F. & A. M. elected the following officers recently for the coming year:

W. M.—D. R. Mynard
S. W.—Don Willman
J. W.—R. P. Roberts
Secretary—L. E. Lippincott
Treasurer—H. M. Clink
S. D.—Roy W. Gooch
J. D.—Carl Manes
S. S.—Roy Conibear
J. S.—George Dunseth
Chap.—H. C. Eissner
Mar.—Morris July
Tyler—A. J. Carlson

The installation was held Wednesday night followed by refreshments.

Kings high school basket ball team played the high school team here last Friday night and were victorious by a small margin. The game was followed by a dance which netted about $45 for our team.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Herrick celebrated their golden wedding anniversary quietly in their home last Sunday. Their son Merton and his wife were with them, but their daughter, Mrs. Thomas Correll of Sterling was unable to come on account of the bad weather. A number of friends came in to congratulate them. They were married here fifty years ago and have spent their lives in this locality.

The Rebekah school of instruction last Friday night conducted by Mrs. C. A. Robbins of Dixon, proved interesting and beneficial. Members from Dixon and Amboy lodges were present. Installation of officers will be held January 7 at the first regular meeting of the new year.

Bruce Lyman is home from Carthage College for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Patterson entertained at a two course dinner Tuesday evening the families of C. A. Ulrich, Harry Olmstead, A. F. Lyman and Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hillison of Amboy.

STEWARD NEWS

Kenneth Foster and wife are here from Virginia to spend the holidays with relatives.

Thursday the teachers and pupils moved into the new school building where after the holidays they will be all ready to take up the work.

Margaret Daun is enjoying a new radio.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Corwise Jr., are the parents of a ten-pound boy, born Monday at the DeKalb hospital.

Mrs. P. C. Schoenholz of Scarboro with Miss Leona Byrd and Charles Miller of Steward were shopping in Rockford Tuesday afternoon.

A Christmas program was given Wednesday afternoon bp the primary and intermediate rooms, taught by Misses Clara Erber and Fraces Stroud.

Miss Aileen Doriss is at home from Rockford college for the holidays.

The teachers will spend the holiday vacation at their homes. There will not be any school until Monday, Jan. 3rd.

Mrs. Lee Titus of DeKalb has been a visitor here this week.

Mrs. Kate Steward and Miss Bertha Steward are making arrangements to leave next week for California, where they will join Mr. and Mrs. Bert Henning who are there, having motored through.

Miss Florence Cook is at home from Evanston for the holidays.

Lloyd Shearer of Lincoln, Neb., will spend the holidays here with his mother, Mrs. Ella Shearer.

The A. C. Rapp family are driving a new Buick sedan.

A new floor has been laid in the barber room in the bank building like the floors in the school building.

A. C. Lindsley of Savanna spent Sunday here at the home of Mrs. Ella Rowley.

Louis Shemerman and Frank Cheney left Sunday for their home in the southern part of the state after completing their work on the school building.

Mrs. John Phippe returned Sunday from a visit in Feeport. Her mother returned here with her.

At the school taught by Edna Oakland, a basket social was held last Friday evening and over $75 was taken in.

Polo Personals

Polo—Miss Luella Middekauff expects to leave Dec. 29 for Hot Springs to spend the remainder of the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bridge and daughter spent Wednesday evening in Charwick

Elmer Antrim, wife and daughter will spend Christmas with Mrs. Mary Reed of Dixon.

John Stauffer who teaches school in Michigan is spending the Christmas vacation with his mother, Mrs. Maggie Stauffer.

Roy Devaney and wife of Bloomington are spending Christmas with Mrs. Mary Devaney.

Howard Metzler and wife of Dixon visited with Mrs. Maria Klock Wednesday.

Scott Miller of Madison, Wis., is visiting at the Jasper Scott home.

John Neeck of Winona, Minn., was the guest of Mrs. Maria Klock Thursday.

Mrs. Ida Schell is visiting her son and family at Wheaton.

Miss Virginia Jackola spent Wednesday in Freeport.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Guinder, Wednesday, Dec. 22 a daughter.

Miss Mildred Fager spent Wednesday in Freeport.

Misses Mary and Ruth Raider are home from Carthage college for the vacation.

Robert O'Kane transacted business in Freeport Wednesday.

The Wednesday club met with Mrs. Nathan Mount Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. Fred Zick had charge of the program.

Leon Zick has gone to Oklahoma to visit his brother Fred Zick.

C. B. Mateer and wife are spending the holidays in Chicago with relatives.

H. E. Upton and wife spent Monday in Clinton, Iowa.

Charles Sprecher and family will spend Christmas at the William Rhode home in Milledgeville.

Guy Waterbury and family will spend Christmas with their aunt, Miss Minn K. leBope—Minnie Bope.—K.

A lone cow derailed the last three cars of a passenger train en route to Vancouver recently by running in between a coach and a sleeper.

A THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace.—Prov. 3:17.

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Honor women! They entwine and weave heavenly roses in our earthly life.—Schiller.

London's Hobo Pigeons Facing Official Outlaw

London—(AP)—The hobo pigeons of London may be outlawed by a special act of parliament.

The ownerless birls have increased their flocks at St. Paul's Cathedral and other public buildings in such numbers that the London County Council will submit a bill empowering the officials to put an end to the vagrant pigeon population. The pigeons have been pecking at the mortar and the soft stones, such as that of the Houses of Parliament, so extensively that the authorities have been spurned to action.

"Christus" Likes Slang of America, Prof. Says

Middletown, Conn., —(AP)—American slang has become a part of everyday speech of Anton Lang, the "Christus" of the Passion Play at Oberammergau, said Prof. C. H. Conley, of Wesleyan University.

The professor visited Lang while in Germany last summer and noticed that while he spoke excellent English he frequently used with evident delight many colloquial phrases which he had garnered while in this country.

Last Year's State Tax Rate is Held Excessive

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 23—(AP)—Last year's state tax rate of 85 cents was held excessive by the supreme court here today.

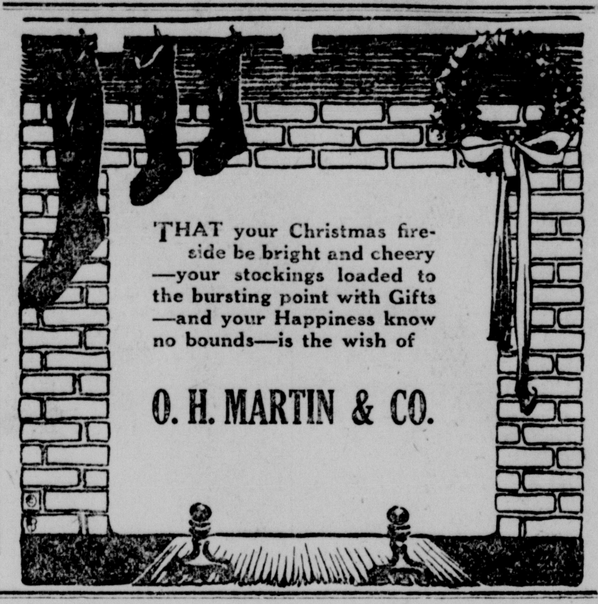
Only those who made formal objections ti it will benefit by a refund order, the court held, in directing that it be reduced eleven cents.

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Eight Taken in Liquor Raids in St. Louis, Mo.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 23—(AP)—Eight men were in jail today as result of raids on four saloons here last night by federal prohibition agents. An extensive pre-Christmas clean-up of saloons and "blind tigers" in down town St. Louis had been planned, but further raids were abandoned when agents found the news of their activities was preceding them.

We will renew your Chicago paper for you. Evening Telegraph. t



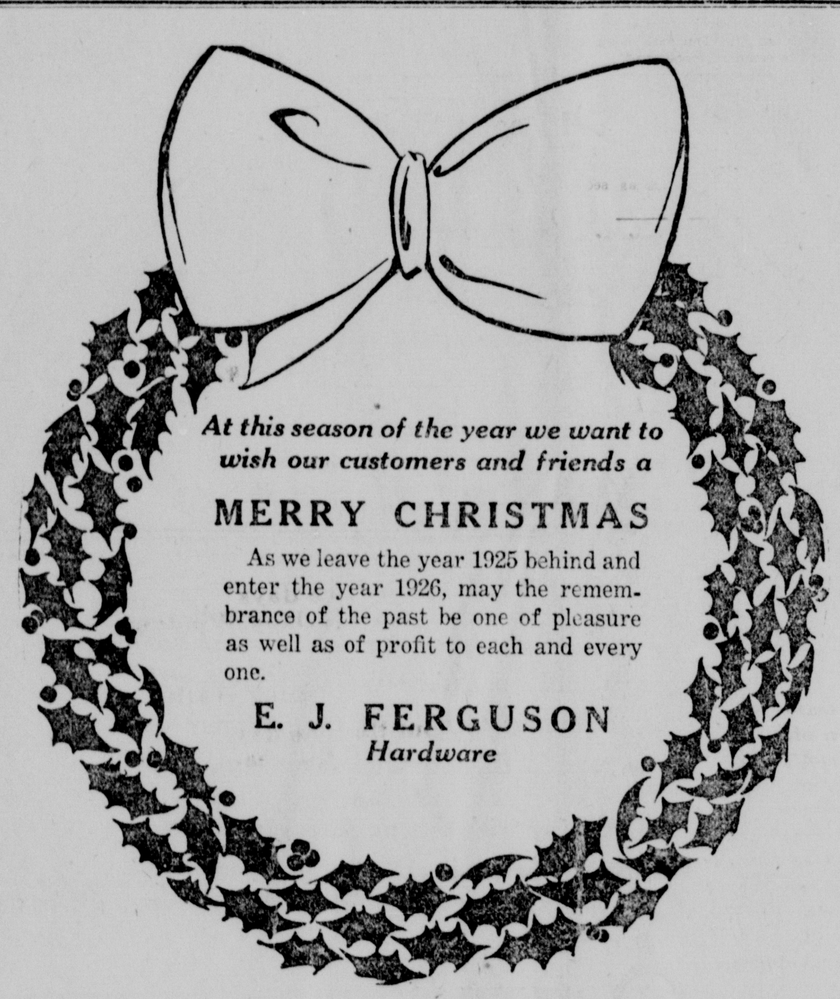
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May your Star of Joy shine as bright this Christmas morn ... as did that Blessed Star centuries ago.

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Gather 'Round!

WE have something to tell you .. something we thought you'd like to know. And - - That Is - -

That your Christmas tree and the space beneath it won't hold all the gifts we're hoping will come your way this Christmas! Oh, well—just so it's a mighty, mighty

Merry Holiday For You!
The Merrier—
The Better!

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MANY HAPPY RETURNS!

Friends, One and All:

"Its the little things of life that count."

So we are wishing you on this little card the merriest Christmas that you have ever had; and may the New Year be one of countless blessings from dawn to close.

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Christmas Greetings!

May your Christmas Day be happy,
Filled with joys and memories sweet
May this little word of greeting
Speak for us until we meet,—

But we hope to have the pleasure of meeting you and serving you many times during 1926, so don't hesitate to call on us.

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MIDGET SUPPER GREAT TIME FOR CLASS MEMBERS

Followed Evening of Sports and Hour in the Pool

The boys of the Midget Gym Class had the time of their young lives Wednesday evening. A famous scramble supper followed the activities in the gym and swimming pool. And boy, oh boy, it was a real feast. Each boy brought sandwiches or beans or a cake or cookies, and one boy brought a pan full of spaghetti and it was still hot. Judging from the sound of things the boys enjoyed the whole affair immensely. There were several cakes present and when it came time to have them passed, Dewain Kidd thought he would beat everybody else to it, but to the amusement of all he learned that to get cake he would have to remain calmly at his place at the table. Mr. Yohn made a short speech which had two parts, a sad and a glad one. The sad part was that the boys had to wash ther own dishes, and that they would all be glad when they had them washed. Ray Kline furnished music music, soft and sweet, by playing on the piano for the benefit of the dish-washers.

Amboy Bowlers in Easy Victory Over Franklin Grovers

A bowling team from Amboy won a game from the Franklin Grove team by 160 pins. The Amboy bowlers were a little late in getting started here but they made up for lost time once they were started. Miller of Franklin Grove was the high man of the evening, bowling 190 in his last game.

Franklin Grove.			
Shaulis	118	176	127
Sitler	107	116	138
Gilbert	795	109	122
Naylor	108	137	152
Miller	108	163	190
Totals	536	701	729

Team total—1966.

Amboy			
Hubbel	172	136	151
Jewett	106	139	153
Finn	125	152	161
Doty	122	138	139
Antoine	158	151	143
Totals	683	696	747

Team Totals—2126.

A church building where prisoners may worship in accordance with their religious beliefs stands alone within the great enclosure at the Indiana state prison.

"King Ben" Snoozes As Girl Accuser Testifies at His Trial



"I'm sick," said King Ben Purnell, famous House of David leader, but they put him on a stretcher and hauled him back to court at Benton Harbor, Mich., to face criminal assault charges. This unusual telephoto picture sows the aged monarch snoozing in the courtroom while Mrs. Bessie Woodworth (foreground) testifies against him. It was Mrs. Woodworth who gave Michigan authorities the information that brought King Ben from three years' hiding not long ago. Then she swore to the assault charges. She formerly was a guest she said, at "Shiloh," Purnell's alleged Benton Harbor harem.

Nineteen Boys Get Memberships in Y as Christmas Gifts

Still another evidence of the faith of the citizen of the city has been shown in the YMCA by the fact that within the last two days nineteen boy's memberships have been taken out at Christmas gifts. These boys are now assured of 365 days of upbuilding in body, mind and spirit, moulding the character that sustains throughout life.

This morning a lad who was waiting at the front door for the opening hour said: "This is the last day of the membership that was given me last Christmas. I have sure enjoyed it and I am going to stay all day 'cause it is my last"—little does he know that the big hearted man has already made provision for him for another year. That is rendering a service with a lift to it and a real 'kick' in it for the business man.

Warsaw Traffic Rules Affect Soviet Officers

Warsaw —(AP)— Traffic woes have developed in Warsaw and even cabinet ministers run afoul of the severe regulations introduced by the police.

In one day, three dignitaries had conflicts with the police for failing to comply with the new rules, which were designed to relieve the situation resulting from increased street traffic and which ar still a novelty to the populace.

Romocki, minister of communication, paid a fine for parking his automobile in a prohibited place. Zaleski, minister of foreign affairs, and the chief protocole were reprimanded as they crossed a causeway at the wrong place, and the car of Skladkowski, minister of the interior, was stopped because its lights were too bright.

Ask "Light" in Germany, Then Carefully Tip Hat

Berlin—(AP)—A fine point in etiquette is exciting a hot discussion among German cigar and cigarette smokers.

"Pleas give me a light," is one of the common requests of passenger to passenger in the numerous compartments of railway and street cars where smoking is permitted. The request is usually accompanied by a mutual lifting of hats, and the controversy is over the question whether this polite formality is strictly necessary.

So far the ayes seem to have it. Observation on the public conveyances shows the hat-lifting process, carried out with all due Teutonic solemnity, still quite commonly observed.

Eddie Collins to Return to Athletics in Spring

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 23—(AP)—Eddie Collins, former manager of the Chicago White Sox, today returned to the Philadelphia Athletics as second baseman.

Mrs. Stanley Baldwin, wife of the British Prime Minister, confessed that her greatest ambition is someday to mark all her household linen with an appropriate "B".

The passing of the rickshaw. There were 39,013 rickshaws in Tokyo in 1897 and in 1926 the number was 8,343.

FALSE ARREST OF HUSBAND LEADS TO DEATH OF HIS WIFE

Thomasboro Stirred as Body of Woman Was Found Today

Champaign, Ill., Dec. 24—(AP)—The search of the entire citizenry of Thomasboro, a litlet village nine miles north of here, ended in tragedy at 4 o'clock this morning when Mrs. Claude Weir was found lying by the roadside in front of a country school house near Thomasboro.

Close by her side lay her three-year-old boy, unmindful of the tragedy. He had been out in the fog and the rain all night with his mother.

Husband Leads Searchers

Mr. Weir had lead the searchers. He attributes his wife's wandering to her death to grief over his arrest yesterday by an unidentified state highway policeman on the charge of driving his automobile while intoxicated.

Weir, his wife, and their son were out riding together yesterday afternoon when the arrest took place. Weir and Mrs. Weir both contended he had not had a drink. But Mrs. Weir and the boy were forced to get out of the car in Thomasboro while Weir was brought to Champaign to be lodged in the city jail until he could raise bond. When Weir was released from jail in the evening and returned home his wife and child were missing. Then the search started.

Coroner William Strode has set the inquest for Monday. He indicated this morning that he will attempt to bring criminal prosecution against the policeman.

Chemical Development of Muscle Shoals Under Test

Muscatine, Iowa— (AP)— A permanent supply of mussel shells, the raw material for manufacturers of buttons, knife handles, buckles and other ornamental articles, is promised by experiments being conducted at the United States biological station at Fairport, near here by Dr. M. M. Ellis of the University of Missouri.

Mussel beds have been built up in the past by inoculating fish with glochidia, the larva of the mussel, and releasing these "host" fish in sections of the river most suitable for mussel shell production. The glochidia drop off and mature in three or four years on the river bed.

Dr. Ellis' experiments seek a method of chemically developing the larva to a stage where the glochidia might be "planted" without the use of "host fish," thus eliminating the uncertain-grown. Button makers see in the process the possibility of developing privately owned and stocked mussel beds similar to the oyster beds.

Stamp Licker Need Not Fear Bad Effects: Is Good

Washington— (AP)— Regardless of the sanitary question as the lisking of postage stamps as it might affect others, the licker has no need to fear harmful effects from the operation.

On the contrary, the postoffice department says the gum is really foodstuff material, and they are afraid to make it more palatable by adding flavoring because that might be an incentive for users to remove too much of the adhesive, and thus get the postoffice people into trouble with an overload of mail to be sent back for postage.

The gum used has been so good that many have asked for its composition. It is composed of 88 per cent cassava detrin, a starch obtained from certain South American plants which is used in making taploca and cassava bread. Ten percent of corn detrin and about two percent gloucose completes the mixture.

Cosmetics are forbidden to the women of Esthonia.

"MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR"

To all Our Friends, Old and New:

Among the new acquaintances you make wher'er you go, no truer friends I'm sure you'll find than your friends of long ago.

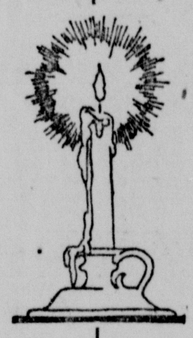
Don't forget us after the Christmas Rush

FRANK W. HOYLE

Nash and Reo Sales and Service

90-92 Ottawa Ave. Phone 201

CORDIAL GREETINGS



Again we send to you our good wishes. Thanks for your patronage and ever believe that we will be zealous for the furtherance of cordial relations in the future.

R. L. VEST

Market and Grocery

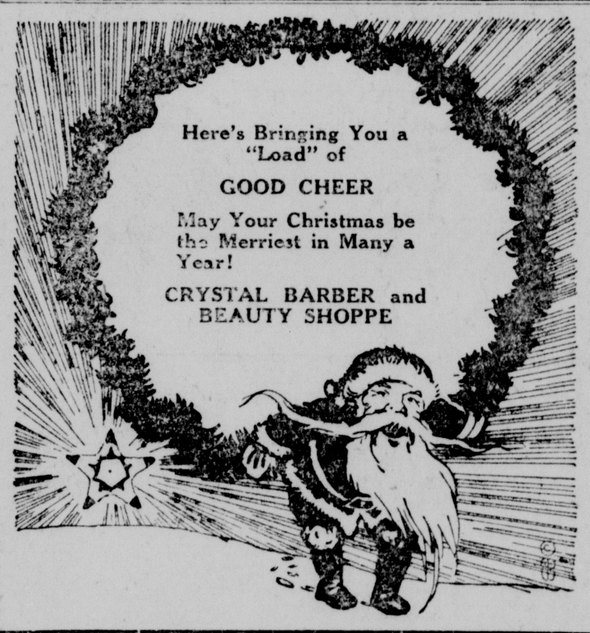
A HARVEST OF HAPPINESS!

Friends and Customers

We have tried to serve you honestly and efficiently and we have greatly appreciated your patronage. We trust that the same mutual understanding and co-operation may prevail during 1926.

At all times we are interested in our fellowman, but since the feeling of good will and cheer is so prevalent just at this time, we want to especially express to you our sincere good wishes for your enjoyment of the holiday festivities; and your abundant harvest of blessings during the New Year.

Hey Bros.



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

In the spirit of the season and in deepest appreciation of the patronage, confidence and good-will accorded our institution, we extend to all our customers and other friends our sincerest wishes for a Merry Christmas. Amidst the cares and anxieties of every day life, may the holidays be filed for you and yours with the best of cheer and hope and happiness.

F. X. Newcomer Company

"The Service Agency"

There are days for Washing Windows
There are days for Cleaning Walls,
But this one day of all the year
We send you Just Good Will

TRIANGLE WINDOW CLEANING CO.

Phone 924 — — Res. 1266

GREETINGS

Dear Friends:

This is just a little token of our friendship strong and true and may we in return merit your good will and fellowship.

We are not in business for self only, but to serve and please you to the best of our ability; so don't hesitate to call on us when in need of anything in our line.



"Our very best to you" this another Christmas Season

DURANT CAB CO.

Phone 36



GREETINGS

To you and countless numbers of our other friends and customers, we take this opportunity to thank you for the very liberal patronage extended to us during the past year, and at the same time take great pleasure in wishing you a very

Merry Christmas and a prosperous and Happy New Yeor

NAGLE'S CAFE



THE HEARTIEST OF WISHES!

In the sincerity of our hearts we wish for all who may chance to read this little card

"The Merriest of Christmas Seasons and The Most Prosperous of New Years."

THE GOLF SHOP

The Home of Sporting Goods

"Thanks and Heartiest Wishes"

DEAR FRIEND:

Since love, joy and kindly feeling are running riot in the world just now, we want to take advantage of the opportunity to express to you our kindliest thoughts and heartiest wishes.

Be assured that your past business has been appreciated, and that your future business is solicited.

McCoy's Bootery

106 First St.

SPORTS OF ALL SORTS

TY COBB ACCUSES LEAGUE OFFICERS IN COUNTER CHARGE

Says They Paid $20,000 to Keep Leonard's Charges Quiet

Chicago, Dec. 24—(AP)— The fire of baseball's Christmas scandal smouldered today. Baseball's masters are content to let it go out. The fire victims—Ty Cobb and Tris Speaker—also want the blaze extinguished, but complete exoneration is the only extinguisher they want used.

Both Cobb and Speaker, generally rated as the two greatest players of modern baseball, continue their pleas for a chance to face the man who started the fight—H. B. (Dutch) Leonard, former Tiger pitcher.

Leonard, recipient of letters from Cobb and Joe Wood, once a Cleveland pitcher, continues non-commital regarding the charges linking the names of Cobb and Speaker with a game between Cleveland and Detroit September 25, 1919 which he said was fixed for Detroit to win.

"Let the baseball authorities do the talking," Leonard said at his ranch near Fresno, California. "When the time comes, I'll issue a statement."

Coff Accusses Officials

Meanwhile there are rumblings that presage counter charges from Cobb's friends. Cobb, home in Augusta, Ga., said American League officials were "equally guilty" with Leonard in this "rotten business" because "they paid $20,000 to keep the details of his story from leaking out." Reference is to the price reported to have been paid Leonard for letters.

Departure of Cobb from baseball under a cloud after 22 years, during which he established more records than any other player, has revealed the existence as long ag a year ago of a rupture between Cobb and Frank Navin, president of the Detroit club.

Cobb, it now is revealed, was slated for removal as manager of the Tigers at the end of the 1925 season.

Expressions of confidence in Cobb and Speaker continued to come from many sources. Among the latest was a resolution passed by the Philadelphia Sports Writers Association.

Joe Wood told his story yesterday to Burnside Winslow, chairman of the baseball committee of the Yale Athletic Association, by whom Wood is employed as coach, but no statement of the university's attitude was made known.

WANT LANDIS DECISION

Detroit, Dec. 24—(AP)—Fans here wish Commissioner Landis to say whether he believes Ty Cobb and Tris Speaker guilty.

After an impromptu meeting of friends of Cobb last night, a telegram was dispatched to the commissioner by Joseph Benjamin, merchant, critizing his failure to make known his views.

RICKARD SIGNED MALONEY UP FOR THREE BATTLES

Conqueror of Person to Meet Hansen or Berlenbach

New York, Dec. 24—(AP)—Tex Rickard has given his heavyweight fistic deck another shuffle, bringing to the top Knute Hansen of Racine, Wis., and Paul Berlenbach, former light heavyweight champion, as prospective opponents for Jimmy Maloney, Boston.

After signing the conqueror of Harry Persson for three fights, Rickard announced that either Hansen or Berlenbach would be the next to meet the hub contender. Berlenbach's chances hinge on the outcome of his bout with Mike McTigue next month.

There looms a subsequent fight for Maloney with the winner of a battle between Jack Sharkey and Poali Uscudun. The Spanish contender will meet his Boston foe early next year.

Rickard's next show on New Year's night marks the semi-final stage of an elimination featherweight series, bringing together Red Chapman, Boston and Benny Bass, Philadelphia, in the main ten round battle. The winner is to meet Honey Boy Finnegan, Boston with recognition as champion by the New York State Athletic Commission awaiting the ultimate survivor.

Fights Last Night

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Youngstown, Ohio.— Rosie Stoy, Lancaster, drew with Jimmy Mando Cleveland.

On the Twin Buttes road between Tucson and Continental, Arizona, scientists declare there is every known variety of cactus to be found in the world.

Smoke T&B 5¢ CIGAR

Is Everybody Happy? You Should Ask!



MILITARY RITES HELD TODAY FOR VICTIMS OF CRASH

While Two Investigations are Ordered in Flying Mishap

Rantoul, Ill., Dec. 24—(AP)—While Chanute Field gymnasium became the chapel today for military services for the four Army officers who died in the mid-air collision of two planes here Wednesday, two investigations sought to fix responsibility for the tragedy.

The post board headed by Major William McChord, field commandant, drew up its report of an immediate investigation of the crash and complete findings were ordered by the war department by government chiefs.

Fog hung over the field at the time of the accident, but officials are determined to discover if the mist was wholly responsible for the locking together of two ships that were flying close to the ground because of low visibility.

Comrades at the field and service men in Chicago joined in the military rites for the four officers. Captain H. G. Foster, Chicago; First Lieutenants H. W. Kunge., Columbia, Mo. and A. J. Clayton, West Philadelphia and Second Lieutenant R. L. Lawter, Huntington, W. Va.

The bodies of Lieutenants Lawter and Clayton will be conveyed to Arlington Cemetery for burial and those of the other two officers to their homes.

Approximately 600 lion in California kill 30,000 deer yearly, or twice the number killed by hunters. Extermination of the animal is difficult because it can not be trapped or poisoned.

Consolidation of Clinton Paper is Announced Today

Clinton, Ill., Dec. 23—Ralph C. Petz, editor of the Clinton Morning Journal, today announced the purchase of the Clinton Evening Public, effective Jan. 1.

A viola found in Edinburgh has a body 17½ inches long, or 2½ inches longer than the average viola. It was made by Hieronumous Amati, the master of Stradivarius.

Engraved Calling Cards, the latest thing in style and size. B. F. Shaw Printing Co. tf

LOAN MADE MANY YEARS AGO SAVED BANK IN MEMPHIS

"Abe" Plough Proved to be "Good Boy": Many are Made Happy

By NEA Service

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 22—"Mamma, I lent Mose Plough's boy, Abe, $125 today," said Harry Cohn, president of the American Savings Bank, to his wife one evening 17 years ago.

"Abe's a good boy," said Mrs. Cohn.

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"Mamma, I feel better. It's going to be a good Christmas for all those poor people after all. Abe Plough put up $235,000, and we're going to cash each of those 6000 Christmas Savings Club checks at 100 cents on the dollar," said Harry Cohn, president of the closed American Savings Bank, to his wife a few days ago.

"Abe's a good boy," said Mrs. Cohn.

Loan Saved Day.

There you have the outline of a genuine Christmas story—the story of how a $125 loan, made 17 years ago, saved the day for 6000 people of moderate means, whose Christmas savings were swept away this fall when the American Saving Bank crashed.

Abe Plough, who borrowed the $125, invested cannily. With that money as a basis, he built up the Plough Chemical Company, which does business throughout the world. Today his wealth is estimated at more than $1,500,000.

Incidentally, Abe Plough also wooed and won the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cohn.

A few weeks ago Clarence Henochsberg, teller and assistant cashier in the bank, committed suicide. His accounts were $300,000 short. This shortage wiped out the bank's $100,000 capital and its $122,000 surplus.

And there were 6000 Christmas savings checks, representing a total of $235,000, waiting to be cashed. To make it worse, these were held almost entirely by poor people, who had saved nickels and dimes to get funds for Christmas shopping.

Aged Man Helpless

Harry Cohn, now 80, was helpless. He paced the floor of his bank with tears in his eyes, while hysterical depositors waited outside.

A reporter got in touch with Plough and outlined the situation to him. Plough agreed that the Christmas fund depositors, at all event, must be saved.

Plough interested other rich men, to keep it from looking too much like a family affair. They pledged $25,000. Plough contributed the remaining $210,000. Quarters were opened in the old bank building and the Christmas fund checks were paid off in full.

Plough, by the way, refused to take any credit for himself. On the walls of the bank he had signs erected stating that an insurance company, a department store "and others" had made the money good. Few knew that Plough had practically done it all.

Plough is just 35, still boyish in appearance. He says that the foundation of all his success was the $125 loan Harry Cohn made him 17 years ago.

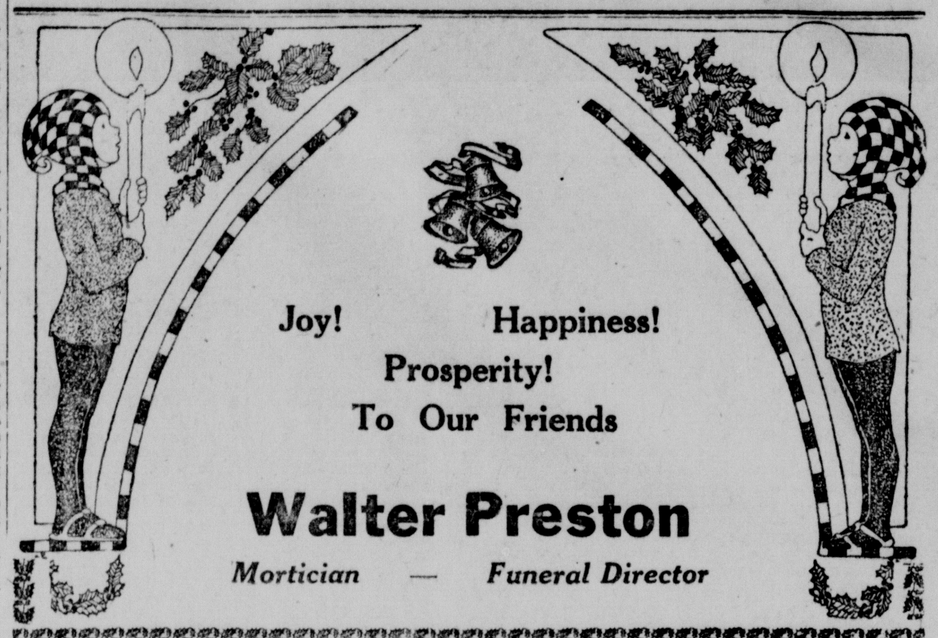
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"Mamma, we cashed all those Christmas checks at 100 cents on the dollar. It was wonderful of Abe," said Harry Cohn to his wife the other evening.

"Yes," she said. "Abe's a good boy."

Ask our circulation manager about our accident insurance policy. Our policy will make a suitable Christmas gift. The Telegraph. tf

Smoke BEN HUR 5¢ CIGAR



Joy! Happiness! Prosperity! To Our Friends

Walter Preston

Mortician — Funeral Director



The Season's Felicitations

Here's just a public greeting card;
It isn't much to send,
But it bears the season's good wishes
To all who would be our friend.

"A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year"

STRATTON & COVERT

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS!

THE Christmas shopping season is past. A wonderful one for us. Once again multitudes of Dixon folk have given us their overwhelming support.

It is with feelings of most grateful thanks that we extend our Greetings in unlimited measure—to the Dixon public—to our Patrons—to our Enployees.

That this Christmastide be marked with Happiness and Good Cheer is the sincere wish of

A. L. GEISENHEIMER CO.

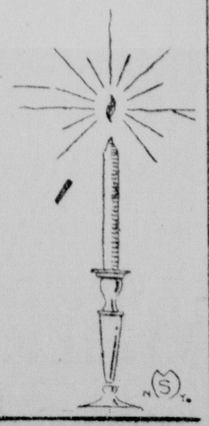
Christmas; what precious memories it calls forth, what joy and happiness! It comes again and again and each year with greater meaning. It is in this spirit our greeting comes to you, appreciating the relations of the past, looking forward to a continuation of pleasant associations in the days to come.

GOLD'S

The Workingman's Store

Many Happy Returns of the Day

We have no special knack
Of making others glad,
But we hope that Christmas
makes this day
The best you ever had.



E. H. Rickard & Son
120 Galena Avenue

Sincere Thanks

To Our Many Customers and Friends:

Through this means we offer our sincerest thanks for past business and we want to extend to you our greetings of the season.

'Tis the good old message
You've heard it oft before,
A Merry Christmas, bright New Year
And hope for many more.

The Highway Cafe

To Our Customers and Friends

A Merry Christmas

Christmas, the season for the renewal of old firendships, for the forgetting of differences, for the expression of good will and kindness is here.

May your Christmas be filled with joy and happiness, unmarred by sorrow, and may you carry with you through the coming year the spirit of the Yuletide.

Our wish is that this may be for you and yours a Christmas day long to be remembered for its happiness and cheer.

L. R. MATHIAS

Grocery and Market

CHRISTMAS REUNIONS AND FAMILY DINNERS FEATURES OF HOLIDAY IN MANY HOMES

DR. AND MRS. SICKELS TO ENTERTAIN YEAR'S—



Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Sickels will entain over New Year's the doctor's sisters, Mrs. Gracia Welch and Miss Amy Sickels from Milwaukee.

CHRISTMAS AT DUFFY HOME—

Miss Mollie Duffy who teaches school in Chicago is home to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. J. H. Duffy and sister, Miss Nellie Valelly. Hugh Duffy, salesman, is also home to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. P. H. Duffy.

EUGENE VEST HERE TO VISIT PARENTS—

Eugene Vest who attends Northwestern University, is home for the holidays to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Vest.

MISS RUBY KELLEY HOME FOR CHRISTMAS—

Miss Ruby Kelley is home from Chicago to spend Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kelley.

MISS KENNEDY HOME FROM UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS—

Miss Rachel Kennedy who attends the University of Illinois is home to spend Christmas with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Kennedy

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN MARSHALL, MICHIGAN—

Mrs. Gertrude Petty, Mrs. Ethel Trottnow and Miss Josephine Trottnow have gone to Marshall, Michigan to spend Christmas.

TO BE GCESTS AT EARLE BUCK HOME—

Miss May C. Summer of Chicago will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Earle Buck for the holidays. Miss Summer is Mrs. Buck's sister.

Dr. L. L. Gismore of Chicago will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Earle Buck.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN GARY, IND.—

Mr. and Mrs. George Thoman and son Everett, leave today for Gary, Ind., to spend Christmas as the home of Mr. Thoman's mother.

ALAN BAIRD HOME FOR CHRISTMAS—

Alan Baird, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Baird, is home from Chicago where he is employed by the Western Electric Co., to spend the Christmastide with home folks.

WILL DINE WITH REAGAN FAMILY—

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Reagan and sons Neil and Ronald, will entertain at dinner Christmas day Mrs. H. L. Hunt and son Donald Hunt, the latter being home from college at Peoria to spend the holidays.

ARE GUESTS AT FRANK SPILLER HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Spiller and son Albert arrived from Chicago last evening to be guests over the holidays at the Frank Spiller home.

CHRISTMAS AT DIMICK HOME—

County Clerk Fred Dimick and wife will entertain on Chrismas Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jenks of Evanston; Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Gilbert, and C. A. Blake.

MRS. BENJAMIN TO ENTERTAIN CHRISTMAS DAY—

Mrs. Lillian Benjamin will entertain at Christmas dinner Charles Johnson, Mrs. Sarah Johnson and Mrs. Frank Porter Howell.

MISS RICHARDSON HOME FOR HOLIDAYS—

Miss Eloise Richardson who attends the DeKalb Normal College for teachers is home to spend the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Richardon.

WILL BE GUESTS AT THE DANIEL MURPHY HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Weller of Oregon and Mr. and Mrs. John Weller of Mt. Morris will be guests Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Murphy and family.

ELMER JAMES HERE FOR CHRISTMAS—

Elmer James of Detroit University is spending the holidays with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. James.

FAMILY REUNION AT MAX EICHLER HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. Max Eichler will entertain at their home Christmas day the members of the Adolph Eichler family, Isador Eichler family, Lloyd Miller family, of Dixon; and Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Eichler and baby daughter Lois of Amboy.

CHRISTMAS AT CHARLES E. MILLER HOME—

Mrs. Orpha Sanford, Miss Edna Anderson, and Charles E. Anderson of Aurora, will be guests over Christmas at the Charles E. Miller home.

WILL HAVE THIRTY GUESTS AT SLOTHOWER HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Slothower will entertain at their home on Christmas day a company of thirty guests.

MRS. ELIZA DYSART TO ENTERTAIN—

Mrs. Eliza Dysart will entertain on Christmas day at a family dinner, her guests numbering about fifteen.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT HOME IN MUNCIE, IND.—

Miss Hazel Leach who has been visiting Dixon friends for some time, left on Thursday for Muncie, Ind., where she will spend Christmas at her home.

VERNON HILL HOME FOR CHRISTMAS—

Vernon Hill, who is employed by the wholesale house of Franklin MacVeagh, Grocers, Chicago, is expected this evening to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hill.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT E. H. BREMSTER HOME—

Miss Louise Brewster is home from the University of Illinois to spend Christmas with her father, Atty. E. H. Brewster and her brother Hughes Brewster who has been attending Northwestern University and who is here to spend Christmas with his father, will leave in a few days for Stanford University, at Berkeley, Cal.

MISS WHITE HOME FROM BLUFFS, ILL—

Miss Helen White, who is instructor in the public schools at Bluffs, Ill., is home to spend the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. White.

ENTERTAINS GUESTS FROM BUCYRUS, O.—

Miss Marylyn Johnston of Bucyrus, O., is spending the Christmas vacation with Miss Alberta Peterson, a former classmate while living in Dixon, during the Freshman and Sohpomore high school years. Many will remember the girls singing duets at the different churches and societies while Marylyn lived here.

WILL BE GUESTS AT ELMER JONES HOME—

Mrs. Herman Mack and daughter, Katherine arrived Tuesday for a holiday visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Jones.

THREE FAMILIES WILL DINE TOGETHER—

Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Carlson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hey and family and Mr. and Mrs. George Eno and sons will enjoy breakfast at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eno and will then enjoy dinner at the Hey home.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN DIXON—

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lohr and Miss Betty Mae Lohr of Rockford will spend Christmas in Dixon with Mr. and Mrs. William Lohr.

DINNER AT HERBERT TENNANT HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Tennant will entertain at Christmas dinner Mr. and Mrs. James Lohr and Miss Lohr.

TO BE GUESTS AT KILLMER HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. George Killmer of Amboy will entertain at Christmas dinner, Mr. and Mrs. H Slaybaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Atkinson and children and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Killmer.

MR. AND MRS. GEORGE HAWLEY TO ENTERTAIN—

Mr. and Mrs. George Hawley will entertain at Christmas dinner Mr. and Mrs. William Stabler of Rock Island and Mr. and Mrs. Jacob DePuy of Rock Falls.

TO BE GUESTS AT MURPHY HOME—

Miss Fannie and Laura Murphy will entertain on Christmas Day Mrs. L. D. Dement, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Utley and children, Mrs. Lloyd Davies and children and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Dysart and baby.

IS HOME TO SPEND CHRISTMAS WITH ATTY. ERWIN—

Thomas Erwin, son of Attorney J. E. Erwin, is home from Georgetown University, Washington D. C., for the holidays.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN WISCONSIN—

Mrs. A. B. Taylor will spend Christmas with her son Lyle and family in Wisconsin.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN ST. PAUL—

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Little will spend Christmas with Mrs. Frank Little in St. Paul.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN DIXON—

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lennon and sons of Davenport, Ia., will spend Christmas with Mrs. James Lennon, his mother, and with his sister, Mrs. Katherine Ballou.

TO BE GUESTS AT CRAWFORD HOME—

Mrs. Wilbur Crawford will entertain her daughters and husbands, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Spoor, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Leivan and her son George Crawford and wife and children.

TO BE GUESTS AT STAGER HOME CHRISTMAS—

Attorney and Mrs. John Stager of Sterling will entertain at Christmas dinner Mrs. J. K. Chester of Sterling and Dr. and Mrs. Z. W. Moss of Dixon.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN KANSAS CITY—

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bacharach will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Alschuler in Kansas City, Mo. Mrs. Alschuler is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bacharach.

FREDERIC BALL HOME FOR CHRISTMAS—

Frederick Ball who attends Northwestern University is home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ball.

EUGENE VEST HOME FOR HOLIDAYS—

Eugene Vest who attends Northwestern University is home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Vest.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT HINTZ HOME—

The Harry Hintz and Ted Hintz families will spend Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hintz.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT ANDERSON HOME—

Attorney Dorman Anderson and Attorney Charles Anderson of Chicago will spend Christmas with their parents in Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Anderson and daughter Josephine.

TO ENTERTAIN AT DINNER CHRISTMAS DAY—

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Sipes will entertain at dinner Christmas day.

WILL BE ENTERTAINED IN DIXON CHRISTMAS—

Miss Ethel Fuller of Chicago will be entertained at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Fuller.

ROBERT REED HOME FROM ANN ARBOR, MICH.—

Robert Reed who attends the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, is here to spend his holiday vacation with his mother, Mrs. K. J. Reed.

TO BE GUESTS AT GODFREY HOME ON PEORIA AVENUE—

Mrs. Charles Godfrey and son Edward will entertain on Chrismas day, Mr. and Mrs. Horton Godfrey of Chicago.

CHRISTMAS AT THE JOHN GILBERT HOME—

Curtis Gilbert of Route 6 will spend Christmas at the home of his parents in Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. John Gilbert.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS WITH SON IN CHICAGO—

Mrs. Howard Johnson will go to Chicago today to spend Christmas with her son, Attorney Elwin Johnson.

CHRISTMAS AT THE H. A. ROE HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Roe will entertain a family group over Christmas, including Mr. and Mrs. John Roe and baby, John Jr., and Franklin F. Roe of Boston; and Edwin Berg of Chicago whose marriage to Miss Winnifred Roe will be solemnized on Wednesday evening, Dec. 29th, at the Roe home.

TO SPEND CHRISTMAS IN MILLEDGEVILLE—

Mr. and Mrs. William Bushman and sons will spend Christmas in Milledgeville with Mrs. Bushman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Roderick.

The Perfectly Appointed Table



I. The Correct Table Setting Is An Art

A GROUP of well-known authorities on etiquette and interior decoration have prepared for this paper a series of table settings which exemplify the last word in that supreme art, which is to live elegantly. Nowhere is knowledge or ignorance so apparent as in the appointments and manners which attend on the dining table.

In the scene above, the first of the series, there are apparent those tremendous trifles so expressive of taste and gracious living. Everything is in keeping, from tall crystal goblets with delicate fluted stems to fragile china and distinguished prism-hung candlesticks. The linen damask cloth is of dappled whiteness—a whiteness that sharpens the playing shadows and makes possible a number of decorative reflections.

OREGON NEWS

Oregon.—Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Behler motored to Dixon Wednesday.

Mrs. A. C. Lookabaugh and grandson, Kenneth, of Mt. Morris, spent Tuesday and Wednesday in the Mr. and Mrs. George Fouch home.

Cyril Rummery came Wednesday from Rochelle where he is employed in the Delaney dry cleaner establishment and will spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Rummery.

Miss Dorothy Leddy returned Wednesday from a several days' visit in Dixon.

Miss Nelle Hawley entertained the 500 Club to a Christmas party Tuesday night at her cottage east of Oregon.

Mrs. Seelah Wooding spent Tuesday in Rockford.

Miss Ruth Dick and Miss Mildred Rowland, members of the H. S. faculty went to their homes at Polo Wednesday night to spend the Christmas holidays.

Miss Eileen Lever left Wednesday night for her home at Sioux City, Ia., to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Rumery are visiting their son, Faye, at LaSalle, during the holidays.

Miss Emily Cartwright, Oregon's librarian, gave a party for the youngsters of the town last Saturday afternoon in the children's room of the Public Library. The Christmas stories were told by Mrs. Frank Sheets and the music was furnished by Master John Gantz's victrola. All had a wonderful time.

Henry Van Hettinga, Principal of the High School at Jefferson, Iowa, is home for the holidays.

Mrs. A. C. Richards is seriously ill at her home on South Second St.

The Community Christmas exercises will be held at the Coliseum Friday evening. A pageant will be given.

The Oregon H. S. team plays the Alumni team at the Coliseum Thursday night, Dec. 30th.

Miss Lily Shelly is spending Christmas with her brother Elmer and wife at Tampa, Fla.

Harold Myers, son of Deputy Sheriff and Mrs. Clinton Myers is home for his holiday vacation from Ames, Iowa, where he is attending college.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Leigh will move in the near future into the Charles Walkup residence on South Sixth street.

Glen Siverly and Miss Sylvia Siverly motored to Paris, Ill., Thursday to spend the holidays.

Isaac Fish, who has passed his 94th birthday has been ill th epast two weeks.

The Mendota Hi-Y club will visit Oregon, Dec. 29th. A supper will be served for them by members of the Epworth League at 6 o'clock in the church parlors and their talks will be made in the Auditorium for everybody at 7:30 p. m.

There will be special services in St. Paul's Lutheran church in this city beginning Saturday morning at 6 o'clock with a candle light service and the pastor will deliver a sermon. There will be a choir of twenty voices, assisted by the orchestra.

Mrs. Sam Fuller and Ernest Siverly motored to Terra Haute, Indiana, Wednesday to spend the Christmas holidays.

Miss Rebecca Murdock entertained a few friends Thursda ynight at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Murdock.

Mrs. J. A. Maxwell of Worthington, Ill., is a guest in the Arnold Maxwell home on North Sixth street.

William Stearns left Saturday for Dandridge, Tenn., to spend ten days with home folks.

Maurice an dRobert Conode are expected home Friday from Chicago for the holidays.

Mrs. Harry Huffman is visiting in the home of Mrs. E. Diehl of Pine Creek.

Miss Flora Blomquist left Wednesday night for Marathon, Iowa, to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Blomquist.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Delckerman and children left Thursday for Waverly, Iowa, to spend Christmas.

Miss Nellie Southwick of Chana was a guest in the Henry Maysellis, Jr., home Thursday.

Mrs. Minnie Harris and daughter, Jane, of this city, and Edward Andersen, of Rockford, will have Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harris at Dixon.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Corlett of Oskaloosa, Ia., are guests in the R. W. Thorpe home for the holidays.

Miss Helen Beveridge is home from Monmouth College to spend the holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Beveridge.

A Junior jazz band set is the favorite novelty in the Christmas toy displays at the Paris stores, raising an appalling prospect for fond parents.

TAGS.

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Corn Palace is Unique So. Dakota Institution

Mitchell, S. D. —(AP)—In Mitchell stands a large auditorium building, covered with elaborate, conventional designs of corn and grains, known as the "World's Only Corn Palace."

Every fall, the Corn Palace show, an annual celebration now for 34 years, attracts thousands from every corner of South Dakota, and from near and distant states.

It was in July, 1892, that two pioneers of Mitchell, L. E. Beckwith and the late L. O. Gale, founded the corn palace. An auditorium was built at the then stupendous cost of $2,976.48, and was ready for a grand opening on September 28.

The next year the building was enlarged to accommodate more, but for six years thereafter no expositions were held during the years of drouth and hard times. In 1900, the third Corn Palace exposition, was held and two years later the committee secured full corporate powers from the state.

A new Corn Palace building was erected in 1905 at a cost of $15,000, and by 1914 a new and still larger palace was needed. Work was begun in 1920 on a $250,000 auditorium, and with later additions the building is now valued at $275,000.

The Telegraph's classified columns today offer a greater opportunity than ever before to any one seeking work, wanting help or those wishing to sell or buy articles of any kind. Read the classified column every day. tf

The bicycle is holding its own in Tokyo. The number increased from 15,210 in 1912 to 177,713 in 1926.

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News of the Churches

Good Thoughts for Good People

Manifestly, the primary object of material building is to protect, to shelter. Walls, houses, castles, fortresses, lighthouses, dykes, all are to protect men and their possessions from various forms of seeming harm. Perhaps no lesson, however, has been more clearly taught the present generation than the unreliability of material means of protection. In increasing numbers mankind is looking for a security "not made with hands."

The Christian Science Monitor

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O thou God of peace, be near us,
Fix within our hearts Thy home;
With Thy bright appearing cheer us,
In Thy blessed freedom come.
Come with all Thy revelations,
Truth which we so long have sought;
Come with Thy deep consolations,
Peace of God which passeth thought!

Charles Wesley

—

One flag, one land, one heart, one hand,
One nation evermore.

Oliver Wendell Holmes

—

Selfishness is the greatest curse of the human race.

Wm. E. Gladstone

—

We do not need more national development, we need more spiritual development. We do not need more intellectual power, we need more spiritual power. We do not need more knowledge, we need more character. We do not need more law, we need more religion. We do not need more of the things that are seen, we need more of the things that are unseen.

Calvin Coolidge

—

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase.

Solomon

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

313 Van Buren Avenue.
Rev. Morton W. Hale, Pastor.

The primary department will give its program in the church vestry at the regular Sunday school hour, 9:45 a. m.

Song, "We Welcome You"—Primary.
Recitation—Ethel Clayton, Norma Rambo.
Song—Ruth Perry, Mary Jane Hoberg.
Little Boy Blue—Bobbie Schick.
Recitation—Vivian White.
Piano Solo—Mrs. Rambo.
Recitation—Cleo Kelchner.
Recitation—Ruth Perry.
I'm Counting Each Day—Arthur Handel.
Song, "Away in a Manger"—Primary.
Exercise—Mrs. Eggerick's Class.
The Christmas Fairy — Virginia Shoemaker and Class.
Recitation—Mary Jane Hoberg.
A Christmas Talk—Mrs. G. L. Richardson.
Piano Solo—Edith Slothower.

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The regular morning worship will be held at 11 a. m., the following special music being given:

Glad Christmas Carrols—Choir.
Behold I Bring Glad Tidings—Choir.
Solo—Mrs. Wendal Drummond.
"Day of Days"—Choir.

The pastor will deliver the sermon.

Owing to the Christmas exercises their will be no meeting of either Junior or Senior Christian Endeavor.

At 7:30 the program of the older class of the Sunday school will be given:

Organ Prelude.
Song, "Christmas Bells are Ringing"—Junior Choir.
Scripture Reading and Prayer—Rev. Hale.
Solo—Elmice Tate.
Recitation—Ethel Platts.
Christmas—Mrs. Eggericks Class.
Recitation—Dolores Heckman.
Trio, "The Light of the Star"—Bernice Cortright, Elva Carney and Dorothy Price.
"Christmas is Coming" — Miss Plant's Class.
Recitation—Emma Seibgtroth.
Tableaus — "Christmas Memories," Christmas Carols."
Recitation—Marjorie Spellman.
Solo—Martha Miller.
Recitation—Esther Geiger.
Exercise, "Who Can Guess"—Class of Boys.
"Bobbie's Querie"—Clifford Schick
Recitation—Magie Words.
Piano Solo—Elmice Tate
The Letter G—Boys. (Give.)
Offering.

The Christmas treat for the entire Sunday school will be given at this time.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, NACHUSA

Rev. D. P. Heltzel, Pastor
Sunday After Christmas.

Bible School 10:00 a. m. Harry E. Curreus, Supt.

Morning Worship 11:05. Subject: "On the Threshold ofa New Year."

Evening Worship 7:45. Subject: "A Blessed Manhood."

Luther League 7:00 p. m.

Christmas proram Christmas Eve 7:30. The Nachusa Orphanage folks are giving the program this year. There will be a tree and a treat. Come and spend a pleasant and a profitable evening with us. An offering will be received—sure, no Christmas program would be complete without an offering. As heretofore, the Christmas offering wil go to the Nachusa Orphanage.

Don't forget the annual Congregational meeting and the picnic dinner in the basement of the church next Wednesday. Families of the Bible School and the community who care to are invited to bring their baskets and join us in the good fellowship of this social occasion.

A Confirmation Service and reception of members Sunday, Jan. 2.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.

Regular services Sunday morning, Dec. 26th, at 11 o'clock. Subject, "Christian Science."

The reading room is open each week day from 2 to 4 except holidays.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

BETHEL UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH.

N. Galena Ave. at Morgan St.
S. B. Quincer, Pastor.

9:45 a. m., Bible school. J. U. Weyant, general superintendent. Wanted, men, women and children to study the Word of God. You will find a welcome in our school where the Bible is the only textbook.

10:45 a. m., morning worship. Sermon, "The Call to Prayer Warfare."

6:30 p. m., Christian Endeavor. Miss Mary Martin will lead this service and the topic will be "Suppose There Were No Christmas."

7:30 p. m., evening service. Sermon, "The Son of God Becomes the Son of Man." This message deals with the fact, the meaning, the proof, and the necessity of the incarnation.

Wednesday at 7:30 prayer meetings for young and old, followed by choir rehearsal.

Friday night Watch Night service. Further announcement next week.

This church extends to you the season's greetings. "For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord."

We invite you to the church that believes and teaches the Old Book and the Old Faith.

BRETHREN CHURCH.

Corner of Third St. and Madison Ave.
Prof. Aubrey Coffman of Mt. Morris College, Pastor.

Sunday school officers and teachers prayer service at 9:45 a. m.

Bible Study in Sunday school at 10 a. m., Roy Plowman, Supt. Classes to suit all ages.

Public worship at 11:00 a. m., with sermon by the pastor.

Christian Workers meeting, 7 p. m., with three departments. Young People's League directed by Plus Burgard.

Sermon at 8:00 by the pastor.

You will be welcome to all of these services.

Christmas is here with its joy and good will. Let us rejoice and be glad for the Master has come and calleth for thee, John 11:28.

The regular quarterly business meeting of the church will be Monday evening at 7:30 at which time all members should be present. D. A. Rowland.

CHURCH OF GOD.

The Christmas program, given by the children at the Chapel of the Church of God, Wednesday, was very much enjoyed by a large and appreciative audience. A beautiful Christmas tree, laden with candy and gifts was a source of delight for the little ones, all of whom took their part in the entertainment. The following program was given:

Chorus, "Seek Him"—Choir.
Prayer.
Duet—Lois Root and Darlene Davis.
Chorus, "The Star of Bethlehem"—Choir.
Instrumental Solo, "Twilight Idyl"—Frances Rossiter.
Recitation, "Welcome Speech"—Jane Ford.
Recitation, "Jesus Was Born on Christmas Day"—Charlotte Drew.
Song, "The Bethlehem Star"—Elizabeth Ford.
Recitation, "Holly is Red"—Bobby Frederick.
Recitation, "It Doesn't Pay"—Leroy Root.
Dialogue, "The Grand Old Stories"—Intermediate Boys and Girls.
Song, "The Story of Christmas"—Helen Roberts.
Recitation, "My Greeting"—Lawrence Eatinger.
Recitation, "The Holly Girl"—Mary Alice Sarjent.
Exercise, "The Best Way to Come"—Four Junior Boys.
Instrumental Solo, "Christmas Bells"—Elizabeth Ford.
Recitation, "Santa's Message"—Irene Mensch.
Recitatfon, "A Star"—Jean Ford.
Recitation, "The Christmas Little Red Riding ood"—Jean Wagner.
Song, "Go to Sleep"—Three Junior Girls.
Exercise, "The Christmas Story"—Four Intermediate Girls.
Recitation, "The Announcement"—Mary Jane Eckert.
Recitation, "The Story of the First Christmas Tree"Dale Reis.
Recitation, "In Closing"—Bernard Sargent.
Announcement.
Closing Chorus by all. No. 106 Song Book.

ST. JAMES EVG. LUTHERA CHURCH

Paul H. G. Bredow, Pastor
December 26, 1926

Graded Sunday school and Bible class at 1 p. m. Mrs. Hubert Bahen, Supt.

Preaching service at 2 p. m. Sermon by the pastor. This will be our Christmas service. Let us behold again in Spirit the great things which God hath prepared for us.

AMBOY BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. C. F. Kerr, Minister
"The Church That Exalts."

9:45 o'clock graded Sunday school, Mrs. Fred Nicholson, Superintendent. This Church and its pastor extend their seasonal greetings to one and all. As this will be our last opportunity to study and worship together in 1926, it is hoped that as many as possible will be present. If you are faithful in attending services of worship on the last Sunday in the old year, you wil find it much easier to do so on the first Sunday in the new year and the Sundays which follow. Welcom awaits you in all our services.

11:00 o'clock morning worship. Sermon, "The Peril of Neglect."

6:30 o'clock B. Y. P. U. Leader, Francis Smith. Topic of study: "Associations of Youth."

7:30 o'clock evening worship. A new year's sermon, "The Wonder of New Things," will be given. You will find good music, good fellowship, and good attendance, if you come.

GRACE EVANGELICAL CHURCH

North Side
E. Fellows and N. Ottawa Ave.
Rev. Frank Brandfellner, Pastor
A Church With A Message And A Welcome For All.
Sunday Services

9:30 Morning Prayer Circle.

9:45 Bible School. Supt. C. C. Buzard.

10:45 Morning worship. Sermon by the pastor. Subject "The Mission of the Church."

3:00 p. m. Colony Service.

6:30 Evangelical League of Christian Endeavor.

7:30 Evangelistic service. Third sermon of a series on vital questions. Subject "Is Heaven a Place For the Redeemed and Is It Eternal?" The pastor in considering the previous questions gave proof of the Divine Inspiration of the Scriptures as the revealed Word of God and also that the eternal state of the wicked will be in the Lake of Fire. "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation." It does not matter what man thinks or says about future retribution, but it does matter what God says. God's blessed Word is unchangeable.

Prayer services next week in view of the revival meetings which will begin on Sunday January 2nd. Two group prayer meetings will be held on several evenings for those living east and west of Galena Avenue. Schedule as follows: East of Galena Ave:

Monday eve. 7:30 at Mrs. A. Mossholder, 521 N. Dement Ave.

Tuesday, 7:30—Mrs. I. Graybill, 319 N. Ottawa Ave.

Wednesday—At the church. Mrs. Hartman leading.

Thursday—Mrs. Stewart, 701 E. Chamberlain St.

Friday—Watch night service—Church at 10:30.

West of Galena Avenue.

Monday eve. at Mrs. A. Klein, 604 First Avenue.

Tuesday—Mrs. B. Gagstetter, 240 Lincoln Way.

Wednesday—At the church.

Thursday—Mrs. Webster, 416 First Avenue.

Friday—Watch night service at the church—10:30 p. m.

Rev. V. E. Stakemiller of Marengo, Ill., has been secured as the Evangelist. He is an accomplished musician as well as a forceful preacher. Meetings will begin on Sunday, Jan. 2, 1927.

"Save Jehovah. For the Godly man
hath ceased,
For the faithful are gone from
among the children of men.
They speak falsehood, everyone with
his neighbour;
With flattering lips, with a double
heart do they speak.
Jehovah shall cut off all flattering lips,
And the tongue that speaketh great
things.
Who have said: with OUR tongues we
are strong,
Our lips are our own: Who is
Lord over us?"

COLONY SERVICE

Rev. F. Brandfellner will have charge of the services next Sunday.

AT FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Albert W. Carlson, Minister

Merry Christmas to all!

Sunday, Dec. 26. Church School at 9:45 a. m. We have classes and departments for all ages and grades. The greater interest in the school means we will need more room, and more workers. What a pleasure to see the improvement from week to week. C. C. Hintz, Superintendent.

Morning Worship at 10:45 a. m. When the pastor will preach on the theme: "The Review of Reviews." The choir and soloists will sing, Prof. Johnston leading. We aim to make every service instructive and inspirational as well. Come and join with us and you will have a happier life.

The Intermediate League meets at 6:15 Sunday evening, and by the way this work is growing surely means much to the future of the church. All children between ages of ten and fifteen should be here. You will find it instructive and interesting. Mrs. Albert W. Carlson in charge, Mrs. Leydig assisting.

The Epworth League meets Sunday evening at 6:50. We rejoice over the new life and enthusiasm found here. The attendance is growing and many things have been planned by this live active group.

The Christmas play, "The Least of These" is the play which will be presented by the group. This group exemplifies the teachings of Jesus and brings a real Christmas message to all. 7:30 p. m. assisted by the choirs and the Children's choir in full uniform.

Monday, meeting of the Official Board and members of the church for a picnic supper at the church at 6:30 p. m. All members of the church are invited to come out, and is not limited to the members of the board, but to all members of the church. Business session followed by the First quarterly conference.

Wednesday, mid-week Bible study hour and prayer meeting 7:30 p. m. How can you afford to deprive your soul of this joy? Come and join the others who are studying to become better workers for the Lord.

Thursday, The University of Illinois Glee Club in their concert. This group of 31 men took second prize in the United States and bring to you a near professional concert. It is one of the fine treats for Dixon and community this year. 8:00 p. m. Concert of nearly two hours length.

Friday, New Years Eve Watch Night social and service by the young people's group. If there is snow, a sleigh ride, afterwards a lunch and service at the church.

Sunday, Jan. 2, Church School at 9:45 and Worship at 10:45 a. m. The pastor will preach on "The Call of the Year." Our Sunday evening program at 7:30.

An Appreciation: The pastor and family wish to thank all who so kindly remembered them with cards and presents at Christmas itme. It is joyous ot know the fine feeling and fellowship.

Financially: Envelopes are distributed today for the offering which shall go to assist in the evangelizing of the world. It will help our World Service and Missionary work. Share with the world the joys of the year and especially of this happy Christmas time.

"Happy New Year to All" The Friendly Church.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Little White Church on the Hill.
Rev. A. G. Suechting, Pastor
Cor. Sixth and Highland
CHRISTMAS DAY

Services on Christmas morning at 10:45 in the German language. Theme Jesus, The Savior Has Come. Text: Matt. 1:21. According to custom we will celebrate the Holy Communion on this Festival of Love.

Confessional services at 10:15 a. m. Announce yourself beforehand.

Christmas anthems by the choir.

Special Christmas offering.

Children's program and pageant Christmas night at 7:30. All children should be assembled in the basement by 7:15 p. m.

Sunday after Christmas service at 10:45 a. m. in the German language. Sermon theme: We have Seen Him. Text Matt. 22.

AMBOY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Rev. Paul H. G. Bredow, Pastor

Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock our Children's Service. Complete program elsewhere in this paper.

Christmas Day, Dec. 25.

Confessional service preparatory for Holy Communion at 10:30 a. m.

Festival Service with preaching at 11:00 a. m. Special offering for our Educational Institutions. Please use your envelopes.

Sunday, Dec. 26th.

Graded Sunday School and Bible class at 9:30 a. m. Lesson subject: "How the Savior Came Into the World." Bible class study: St. Luke 10:25-37: "The Good Samaritan."

10:30 a. m. Divine worship with preaching. Sermon by the pastor. Let us make the most of these services during the blessed Christmas season, may they be a source of inspiration and blessing to us.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Rewards of faithfulness will be presented the children of the elementary department Sunday morning at the Bible School hour. A nine o'clock prayer service will be held by the officers and teachers, of Thanksgiving and Praise for the year's blessings. The Endeavor discussion and devotions at 6:30 will treat the topic: "The Past Year—Its Lessons; the New Year—Its Possibilities.'

10:45 Church service.

Prelude, "Pastorale"—J. Leybach

Hymn, "Angels from the Realms of Glory."

Invocation.

Hymn, "To Us a Child of Hope is Born."

Communion.

Offertory, 'Angels' Serenade" Braza

Quartet, "Send Out Thy Light"—Gounod— Messrs. Crews, Dawson, McNicol, Rhodes.

Scripture Reading.

Prayer.

Solo, Selected—Mr .Elmer Rice.

Sermon, "Opening Their Treasures" The Minister.

Hymn, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear."

Benediction.

Postlude, "March of the Magi"—Ashford.

Evening Church Service, 7:30.

Orchestra Prelude, "Beneath the Holly"—Seredy-Tocaben.

Processional, "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing!"—Mendelssohn.

Invocation.

Cantata, "Chimes of the Holy Night"—Fred B. Holton.

Director—Miss Ora Floto.

Organist—A. L. Leydig.

Pianist—Miss Hazel Rust.

Violinist—Miss Gertrude Nesbit.

Christmas Bells Are Ringing—Choir

How Beautiful Upon the Mountains—Mrs. Reagan and Choir.

But Thou Bethlehem—Choir.

Earth's Weary Waiting Done—Misses Gibson and Cleaver.

In the Watches of the Night—Miss Rodesch.

Good Tidings—Men's Choir.

Glory to God in the Highest—Choir

On Earth Peace—Choir.

Let Us Go Even Unto Bethlehem—Mr. Rhodes and Choir.

Jesus Our Lord—Mrs. C. Emmert and Choir.

Break Forth Into Joy—Choir.

The Star in the Eastern Sky—Mr. Fahrney and Choir.

Offertory, "Evensong"—Martin

Piano, Violin, Organ.

Hhe Lord is Born Today—Choir.

Benediction.

Orchestra Postlude, "Marche Pontificale"—Gounod.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Walter W. Marshall, Minister

Bible School at 9:45 a. m. Review Lesson on Sunday.

Morning Service at 10:45 a. m. Subject will be: "Expectations."

B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. The meeting will be led by Catherine Conibear and the subject will be "The Associations of Youth."

Evening Service at 7:30 p. m.

When the pastor will preach on "The Signs of the Times."

Prayer meeting on Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. when we will continue our study of Ephesians Four.

Choir practice on Thursday at 7:30 p. m.

The B. Y. P. U. will hold a Watch Night on New Year's Eve. Full particulars next week.

Come to church on Sunday. We want to be your friend Dont forget that a vacant pew earns no dividends. Keep your Sundays for the great things of the soul. We have a welcome for every worshipper and a smile and something to do for every one willing to work. Come and join us.

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Rev. Lloyd Warren Walter, Pastor
Rev. Carl B. Caughman, Pastor In India.

9:30 a. m. Bible School. Election of officers for the New Year. Let every one be present to close the Old and begin the New Year.

10:45 Divine Worship. Sermon topic, "Wise Men from the East". This is known in the church year as, Second Christmas Day.

6:30 p. m. Luther League. The topic is a Home Missionary lesson, "Our Own Work Among the Slavic Immigrants," Miss Hazel Hoffman is the leader.

7:30 p. m. Vesper Service. The Young People's choir will use portions of the cantata, "The Birth of Christ" at this service.

9:00 p. m. Friday, December 31st the Luther League, members of the congregation and friends will gather at the church to watch out the old year and welcome in the New Year. You are invited.

7:30 p. m. Monday, Jan. 3rd, 1827 the annual congregational meeting to receive the reports of the officers of different organizations of the church to elect officers to the church council and transact any business that may need the attention of the congregation.

Sunday Jan. 9th Holy Communion at the morning and evening services. Persons desiring to unite with the church will find this an opportune time. Please advise with the pastor.

You are cordially invited to all our services.

Flashes of Life

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

New York—Both sexes may travel to Florida and Havana now with all the comforts of a club. A luxurious lounge car on one special train is divided into compartments for each sex with smokers and shower bath. There is a joint soda fountain.

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Bucharest—Santa is raising some royal pay. King Ferdinand is to receive $200,000 a year instead of $140,000 and Carol's son will get $30,000.

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New York—By advice of counsel, Anne Caldwell has refused to play the part of a gold digger in a new show. The producer says she received legal advice that such a part might prejudice her case in an appeal by J. W. Hubbard of a $50,000 verdict awarded her for breach of promise.

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Kewanee, Ill.—Kewance may have $50,000 for parks under the will of F. F. Francis, a recluse, provided it carries out his wish that his body be burned on a pyre of cord wood in his back yard or cremated privately if health authorities prefer.

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New York—As a Christmas present E. H. Gary has given his Fifth Avenue property to his wife, two daughters and two grandchildren. An apartment will replace his home on the site will pay as ground rent to his relatives $42,00 for the first year and $84,000 annually thereafter.

Abyssinia is Country With But One Newspaper

Addis-Abbaba, Abyssinia—(AP)—Abyssinia is a country with only one newspaper. It is called "Berhanena Salem"—which means "light and peace"—and is published as a weekly, in the massive Ethiopian script. The Government will allow no other similar publication.

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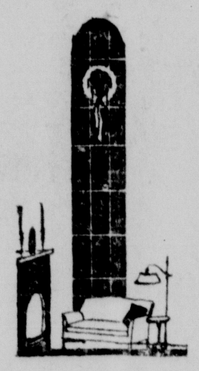
The Rainbow bridge in the Navajo mountains on the border of Utah and Arizona is the greatest of all known natural arches.

FRIENDS:

This is but a small card, but it comes from a big heart to wish you One and All

A MERRY CHRISTMAS
and
A HAPPY NEW YEAR

ROBBINS & POOLE
113-115 Hennepin Ave.



The Season's Greetings

In the hustle and bustle of Christmas tide—that is the time of the year we pause and aspire to greater things and bigger deeds. And it is with these purposes in mind we ask your acceptance of our Hearty Good Wishes for a Very Merry Christmas.

Henry Briscoe



'CYCLONE SALLY' PLEASED LARGE CROWD LAST EVE

Juniors' Annual Play Happy and Comical Three Act Skit

"Cyclone Sally," the comedy presented by the Junior class of the Dixon high school at the school auditorium last evening, drew a capacity audience and proved to be a delightful and entertaining skit, well presented by the young people. Hearty applause frequently throughout the performance showed the appreciation of the audience. The characters in the play were:

Jenny Thatcher ..... Melda Glessner
Effie Varden ..... Ruth Marshall
Jim Jerkins ..... Glenn Barton
Ruth Thatcher ..... Bernice Leland
Jack Webster ..... James Ketchen
Reginald Manners .....
..... Clifford Missman
Sally Graham ..... Lucille Kelly
Vivian Vernon ..... Dorothy Randall
William Clump ..... Edwin Eichler

The action of the play took place in a combined living and dining room on the Webster estate, near Cedar Point.

Act I—An afternoon in early fall.
Act II—About a week later.
Act III—A week later. Late afternoon.

Business Manager .... Edward Hilliker
Stage Manager ..... Leo Miller
Property Manager ..... Paul Brookner
Assistant Property Manager .....
..... Marguerite Trotter

WEST BROOKLYN NEWS

holders of the Farmers' elevator held their annual meeting and election at the opera house on Monday. John R. Oester was elected to succeed himself, while Henry Ladenberger and Frank Gehant Jr., were elected to succeed F. H. Delhotal and George Halboth who were not candidates for reelection. The annual report showed a large volume of business had been handled during the past year and the officers were proud of the record. At the reorganization meeting on Wednesday John R. Oester was chosen president, John Halbmaier, vice-president, Henry W. Gehant, secretary and Oliver L. Gehant, treasurer. Joseph Bauer was selected to succeed William Schnuckel upon the executive committee.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Betz were up from near Mendota Monday and spent the day with their many old friends and former neighbors.

Mrs. Bernard Edwards is here from Odell and is spending a week at the home of her sister.

The children at the parochial school enjoyed a Christmas tree and program Wednesday afternoon. Old Santa was there and distributed a liberal amount of presents among them and many of the friends and parents were present and shared the fun.

Arthur Vincent purchased a new truck at Mendota one day last week.

George Halbmaier drove to Mendota Saturday on business.

The pupils at the public school held the annual Christmas program at the school Thursday afternoon. The program was furnished by the pupils of the primary and intermediate rooms and much credit is due Miss Helen Long and Miss Helen Fox for the pains taken in drilling the children. The high school room were guests, having entertained the two lower rooms last year. A Christmas tree heavily laden with presents was distributed by Santa Claus and much merriment was had not only by the children but by the parents and friends who attended.

Henry Glaser was over from near Steward Friday and called upon friends.

William Barnickel installed a radio in his home this week and Philip Fassig would not be outdone, so he installed one too.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Halbmaier drove to Dixon to shop Saturday.

Miss Ada Guffin entertained the ladies of the Union Community Workers at her home Thursday afternoon where the usual charitable work was carried on.

Modest Gehant was down from near Paw Paw Friday and called on business friends.

George Schnuckel and H. A. Ladenberger spent Saturday in Dixon. No doubt they were in with the state highway department, advising them not to put the cement road past their farms.

Henry Lipps was in town Tuesday and informed us that he had just finished a 40-acre field of corn and was starting on a 110-acre patch which would consume his holiday vacation time.

Oscar Weiner was over from near Middlebury Saturday and called upon business friends about town.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fassig drove to Dixon Friday where they called on friends.

George Dillow and son Roy were here from Bradford the fore part of the week, on business.

LeRoy Hahn still continued to improve and has been taken to the home of his grandparents from the Dr. White home.

The Modern Woodmen were to hold their annual election of officers Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Graf were here from near Amboy Saturday and spent the afternoon at the homes of their many friends and former neighbors.

Peter Blackburn drove over from Harmon Saturday and visited at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Oliver Gehant.

Fred Bybee was here from the Bradford county line Wednesday and called upon friends.

Mr. and Mrs. James Boyle and Mrs. James Phelan drove to Ransom Saturday where they attended the funeral of an uncle

Mr. and Mrs. William Chaon drove home from Dixon the fore part of the week with a new piano which was a gift from Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cook.

Misses Elberta Dinges, Lucille Gehant, and Margaret Phelan arrived home from Mt. St. Clare Academy at Clinton, Iowa to spend their holiday vacation with their parents.

The ladies of the domestic science club held their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Mattie Derr where a most elaborate Christmas program was given.

Bank Examiners J. B. Lennon and A. T. Wilhelm were here Monday and spent the day going over the books of the Gehant bank. Mr. Lennon praised the bank officials upon having found but one past due note in their file. On two previous ocrasions he hadn't found a single one. The credit is due, in a large measure, to the customers of the institotion.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hahn moved their household effects from the Fank Bresson farm to the place known as the Noble farm, where Fred has hired out to Adolph Bauer for the coming year.

Henry Ladenberger broke the spindle in the front wheel of his sedan while coming to town Tuesday and luckily he was driving slowly and did not do a great deal of damage.

Many of our farmers drove to Sublette Tuesday where they attended the closing out sale of Julius Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Oberhardt were here from Freeport Wednesday and visited at the home of friends.

Otto Ege prepared to leave for his home in Hammond, Indiana, the latter part of the week after spending the summer working here.

William Barnickel drove to Dixon on ousiness Tuesday.,

Amboy Tuesday where they visited at

Mr, and Mrs. John Erbes drove to the home of their niece an dher husband.

Frank and Anton Halbfaier drove to Mendota Wednesday where they met Irvin Halbmaier who returned home from St. Louis to spend the holidays with his parents.

Miss Lucile Gehant was a passenger to Chicago with Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Lovering, Tuesday, where she pent a few days visiting friends.

Mrs. Amande Bede is here from Sterling owing to the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. August Melhausn.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Sherman returned home from near Mendota where they spent two months at the Steve Majeski home assisting with corn husking. Steve left the following day for his home at Ashley to spend the winter.

Arthur Archer, Bert Hartley and William Bettner, trustees of the Mulgin Grove cemetery, were here Wednesday and purchased a strip of land from Zina Fairchild to be used as a driveway. These men are working on a plan to put their burial lots upon a perpetual upneep basis and are to be complimented upon the fine condition in which the cemetery is kept.

Earl White, Walter Gehant and Clarke Gehant returned home Thurday from the University of Illinois to spend the holidays.

Arthur Montavon was in town from Speedway Corners with a new coupe Tuesday.

Julius Delhotal was a business caller in Dixon Tuesday.

The last game of the winter series of card playing will be held at the school hall Sunday evening at which time the five dollar gold piece will be awarded.

The many friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Oberhart gathered at their home last Wednesday and pleasantly surprised them with a farewell party prior to their moving to Freeport to make their home. They have resided in this locality for the past eight or ten years and it is with regret that we see them leave.

B. J. Long drove to Ottawa Tuesday on business.

The firemen held their annual muliganat the Forester club rooms Thursday evening where a most enjoyable time was had. The chief saw to it that all the members arrived home safely after the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Biggart spent Friday in Compton visiting the the home of their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Burley.

The French budget for 927 promises a surplus of between 800 million and one billion francs.

WHITE PAPER
for pantry shelves and bureau drawers, nicely put up in rolls, 10c to 50c. B. F. Shaw Printing Co. tf

Prisoner in Hero Role in Train Tragedy

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 24—(AP)—H. E. Bullis escaped from the smoking compartment of a car in the wrecked Pone De Leon last night at Rockmart, Ga., and went back inside for Edward Wiseman, 27-year-old Lexington, Ky., policeman who was returning him to Lexington to answer charges of forgery.

Neither thought the occurrance worthy of note. "Sure," said Wiseman, "guys often come back to help the officers out of a jam like that."

Both men, injured, lay alongside of each other in an Atlanta hospital while a policeman loaned from the city department sat placidly in between.

"Remember me calling you, Ed?" asked Bullis. "Gee, I thought you were killed at first, as soon as I got through thinking I was killed."

"Sure, I remember," the policeman replied, adding as an aside, that as soon as hospital physicians would release them they would continue their trip.

WET HOLIDAY IS IN SIGHT, SAYS WEATHERMAN

Rocky Mountains May See Some Snow to Greet Old Santa

Washington, Dec. 24—(AP)—A wet Christmas instead of a white one, is the best the weather bureau can see for a large part of the country tomorrow, although Santa Claus may find plenty of snow for his big sleigh tonight in the Rocky Mountain and upper Mississippi regions and some other sections may be favored with merely cloudy skies.

Unlike President and Mrs. Coolidge, who with their son John, will celebrate Christmas in the White House, Vice President and Mrs. Dawes will be at home in Evanston, Speaker and Mrs. Longworth in Cincinnati and Secretary Mellon in Pittsburgh. Secretaries Kellogg and Wilbur will spend Christmas with their sisters, the former at New Bedford, Mass., and thel atter at Wayne, Ohio; while Secretary Work will be at home to his daughter at Evanston. Secretary Davis, who is visiting his father on his 75th birthday at Sharon, Pa., today, will be back tomorrow however, to enjoy the day with his family.

Situation Worse in Nicaragua, Report

Washington, Dec. 24—(AP)—The revolutionary situation in Nicaragua apparently is becoming increasingly serious.

Rear Admiral J. L. Tatlmer, in command of the American special service squadron in Latin-American waters, has found it advsiable to land a force of blue jackets at Rio Grande Bar and to proceed himself, aboard his flagship Rochester, to Puerto Cabeza, chief center of the revolutionary movement.

Meanwhile Adolfo Diaz, the conservative president of Nicaragua, who has been recognized by the United States and is being opposed by the liberal revolutionary group headed by former Vice President Sacasa, recognized as president by Mexico, has renewed his appeal for American intervention.

French Government Takes Control of Money Matters

Paris, Dec. 24—(AP)—The Poincare government today decided to take control of the exchange situation and to maintain the franc at a price between 121 and 123 to the pound sterling.

The total number of deaths in the British air force in eleven months was 73. The Air Ministry attributes most of them to errors of judgment by pilots.

Less beer and whisky and more tea and sugar are being consumed and more tobacco used, report the British customs and excise commissioners.

PASSENGER TELLS OF SCENE IN RAIL CRASH IN GEORGIA

Former Police Commissioner of Detroit on Wrecked Train

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 24—(AP)—Under the blood-red glare of danger fuses placed by railroad men, John Gillespie, former Detroit police commissioner, led rescue workers in removing dead and injured from the wrecked cars of the north bound Ponce De Leon and the south bound Royal Palm at Rockmart, Ga.

day on that part of the Ponce De Leon Mr. Gillespie, who arrived here towhich was able to move, told of dead men hanging out of windows, decapitated women, unrecognizable corpses and badly mutilated injured. He continued to Detroit, his home.

"The crash came at 6:40 p. m. entirely without warning and while our train was making about 50 miles an hour", said Mr. Gillespie. "The impact was terrific and the train jerked and creaked.

Tried to Warn

"As soon as I realized what had happened, I got out and began investigating the damage and how it all happened. The fireman of a freight train which was on the siding told me that the Ponce De Leon had sped toward his train and the oncoming Royal Palm, which was around a slight bend, and that as the Ponce De Leon approached the freight her engineer saluted and the freight engineer realizing that for some reason the northbound train was unaware of the existence of the southbound train immediately signaled to him to make an emergency stop. It was too late however, and the crash resulted a few seconds later.

Cars Telescoped

"The day coach was virtually driven through the dining car, and telescoped almost the entire length," Mr Gillespie went on. "The lights in the diner were out and because of the extreme darkness and pouring rain it was impossible to see inside. We gathered two or three uninjured men and commandeered an automobile which had stopped in passing and we went into Rockmart for aid.

"The uninjured and the people of Rockmart soon cooperated in the work of rescue and went at it cooly and in were removed, they were laid aside in determined manner. As fast as bodies a nearby field and we did not take time to try to identify those we know were dead. Lives had to be saved and it was the injured that we worked after.

Praises Georgians

"When I came on to Atlanta on this train," said Mr. Gillespie in conclusion "I looked back at the workers and thought of the heroism of those who had worked the greater part of the night and were not yet ready to stop. For persons they had never seen, the people of Rockmart and all of this part of Georgia have turned over their homes, their automobiles, their labor, and in fact their all. It will cost many the enjoyment of Christmas for they will be worn out soon. I cannot say too much for them."

Bloomington Engineer Died Suddenly Last Eve

Bloomington, Ill., Dec. 24— (AP)—Thomas M. Lancaster, city engineer, died here last night suddenly from an attack of heart disease. He was well as usual during the day and did not complain of any distress at the evening meal or later, and the first signs of trouble was shortly after 11 p. m., when an attack of vomiting was followed by a complete physical collapse and resulted in death.

Besides the widow, he leaves three children.

One-sixth of the 5,500,000 in the United States who are past 65 years of age, are dependent upon public charity according to insurance data.

COBB'S WIFE IN DEFENSE OF HER FAMOUS HUSBAND

Says Dishonesty Isn't One of Faults of "Georgia Peach"

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 23—(AP)—"He may have his faults but dishonesty is not one of them," Mrs. Tyrus Cobb said today in commenting on the charges involving her husband in baseball's latest scandal.

"I believe that Mr. Cobb has completely answered the accusations," she added, "and I wish only to add that I know the charges are untrue in every detail. I know him better than anyone else. He has lived clean and played the game clean. His case is safe in his friends' hands."

Cobb is due to arrive here tonight and his friends plan a big welcome for him. City council last night adopted resolutions describing Cobb as "our esteemed citizen and the world's greatest baseball player" and asserting that the charge against him is "untrue and an act of vindictiveness."

WOOD DENIES AGREEMENT

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 23—(AP)—Innocence of any wrong doing and that he never bet on a "fixed" ball game in his life, were the claims made today of "Smokey" Joe Wood, Yale baseball coach who has been connected by Baseball Commissioner K. M. Landis with the latest scandal in professional baseball.

Wood said that he had bet on the game played between Detroit and Cleveland on September 25, 1919, but there was no agreement as to which team would win as charged by "Dutch" Leonard.

Brief Summary of Last Night's News

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Two ophans adopted in New York will live with families listed in social register.

Mrs. Estelle M. Bolman of Baltimore commits suicide in New York, leaving note which says she was a victim of blackmail.

Officers and employes are arrested in liquor raids at 22 clubs of Fraternal Order of Eagles in Pittsburgh and surrounding towns.

Peter A. Jay resigns as American ambassador to Argentine.

State department at Washington disclosed it has prohibited importation of ten airplanes to Mexico from the United States.

Col. Geeen Quits Job as Prohibition Agent

San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 24—(AP)—Col. Ned Green turned his back upon prohibition enforcement troubles today. His resignation as dry administrator is on its way to Washington.

The veteran army officer who was acquitted Tuesday of embezzling confiscated liquor which the government accused him of using at parties, branded his job as a thankless one as he announced he was through with it.

BRIDGE SCORES and NURSES RECORD SHEETS for sale by G. F. SHAW PRINTING COMPANY.

The Chicago Art Institute points out a new way to make money—invest in art. A Chicago waiter bought a picture, three years ago, paying for it in installments. He has been offered twice the cost price.

We invite our friends in the country to visit our newspaper plant and see just how a newspaper is gotten out. tf

ROYAL DELUXE TOURS COSTLY TO RAILROADS

Transportation Companies Many Times are Hosts to Party

Washington—(AP) — Supplying of special trains and cars to distinguished foreign visitors who wish to see this country in deluxe style has become an interesting phase of American railroading.

Through the courtesy of the railroads, in many cases members of royal families and other notables have been able to tour the United States and Canada in luxurious equipment at nominal cost to themselves. The transcontinental jaunt of Queen Marie of Rumania and the earlier visit of President Machado of Cuba are outstanding instances when the railroads themselves played host and footed most of the transportation bills.

Swedish Visitors Paid

The Crown Prince and Princess of Sweden paid for the special car which, attached to regular trains, took them across the country on their recent visit, but the Prince of Wales and Marshal Foch of France rode in special trains that cost them next to nothing.

The most consistent user of special trains is President Coolidge, but he buys his own ticket out of a special appropriation provided for the purpose. The government at times employs special equipment with which to transport distinguished visitors from New York to Washington and return when they pay official calls to the national capital.

More than the desire of the railroads to be courteous hosts to visiting sight seers is necessary in supplying trains at nominal cost to the guests. Under the law only railroad employes are allowed free transportation and in order to carry Queen Marie, for example, at a one dollar fare, a special tariff had to be filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission and that body's approval received.

10,000 Miles for $1.00

In Marie's case, she paid out of her own pocketbook one dollar for herself, her two children and each member of her immediate party to each of the several railroads over which she traveled on her 10,000 mile tour. Railroad fares alone, at winter tourist rates, would have totalled approximately $20,000 for the nearly 80 persons aboard the Royal Rumanian.

Another huge expense borne by the roads was that incident to stocking diners and private kitchens aboard the several special cars making up the royal train. Special illustrated booklets describing the country through which the queen passed and elaborate menu cards also were paid for by the railroads.

Railroad men agreed that the royal Roumanian was the most luxurious equipment ever assembled. Comprising six special cars, all of them the property of railroad presidents, and equipped with the most modern conveniences.

London Widowers Showing Preference for Spinsters

London, —(AP)— Widowers prefer spinsters when remarrying it is revealed in matrimonial statistics published by the London County Council.

The London marriage records show, says the booklets, that during the last recorded year there were nearly twice as may widowers who took single women as life partners as compared with those who wed widows. The difference between the number of widows who married widowers and those who wed bachelors was very small.

Spacious cribs attached to the wall at one end of parlor cars in service on a southern railroad have proved of great aid to mothers caring for babies while traveling.

Letters From Little Readers to Santa Claus

Dear Santa—I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a coaster, a pop gun and bring my older brother Jim an ukulele, and my little brother Donald a pair of boxing gloves; and my little playmate, Jimmie Sheridan that lives just aong side of me, a cart to hitch his pony to, so he wont have to go horse-back, and nuts, candy and some chewing gum to all. Your little friend Leo Friel, R. F. D. 1, Amboy.

Dear Santa Caus—I am a girl ten years old. For Christmas I would like a sled and some candy and nuts. Don't forget my little niece Rita. She is two years old. Yours truly, Lucile McBride, Amboy.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a boy nine years old, and for Christmas I would like you to bring me a sled, some candy and nuts. Don't forget my baby sister, Anna Marie. I am your friend, John Ackert, Amboy, Ill.

Meccas's Newspaper is Chronicler for State

Chicago—(AP) News of Mecca, city of pilgrimages and Moslem adoration, is probably better known than at the University of Chicago than at any other place in the United States. For the University is the only subscriber in this country to the weekly official publication of the Arabian government of Mecca.

Umm al Kura, which means Mother of Towns, is the name of this periodical, and is the official organ of the newly organized government of Ibn Saud, ruler of Mecca.

News of the royal family is recorded in the paper with great fidelity. Official edicts of the ruler, his opinions on world affairs, and accounts of pilgrimages to the ancient religious shrine occupy a place in the publication.

While there are advertisements in the paper, no pictures or display type are used. Makeup is exceedingly modest throughout, and the absence of headlines is conspicuous.

There are 132 women in state legislatures in this country. Connecticut, with 17, has the largest number.

NEW ANTENNA IS ABLE TO PROMOTE MORE OF A CHOICE

Two Inner Loops Can be Turned at an Angle in It

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 24—(AP)—Search for the selectivity that would enable satisfactory separation of the numerous Chicago stations on almost any type of radio receiver has brought to light a device that eliminates interference in the worst congested areas of the city.

It is an especially constructed loop antenna which not only keeps the locals in their places, but permits distance reception on other than silent nights.

The ordinary loop contains but one winding, so arranged that the ever-grown coil of wire may be swung in any direction. The new device, also has a similar winding but has two inner sections of smaller loops which may be rotated at right angles to each other independently of the outer loop.

The designer explains the theory of operation by saying that the inner sections cut the invisible but ever present lines of force in the incoming radio waves and eliminate all but the one desired. In addition, it tends to cut down distortion brought about by conflicting lines of force that under ordinary circumstances reach the receiver.

The loop may be used on any type of set. In case of the antenna and ground receiver, it is connected between the set and its aerial. On a loop-operated receiver it takes the place of the regular loop.

On a recent test, it was possible by the use of the device to tune out Chicago stations and bring in distance on a receiver that was hard put to keep the locals in place when used with the regular antenna.

China is a growing market for junked horseshoes. The natives use the chilled iron for making knives.

Pie is not bad for the digestion, according to modern medical authorities.

Col. J. M. Mitchell secretary of the Carnegie United Kingdom Trust, says there is a larger demand in the countryside for literature of every kind than there is in the cities.

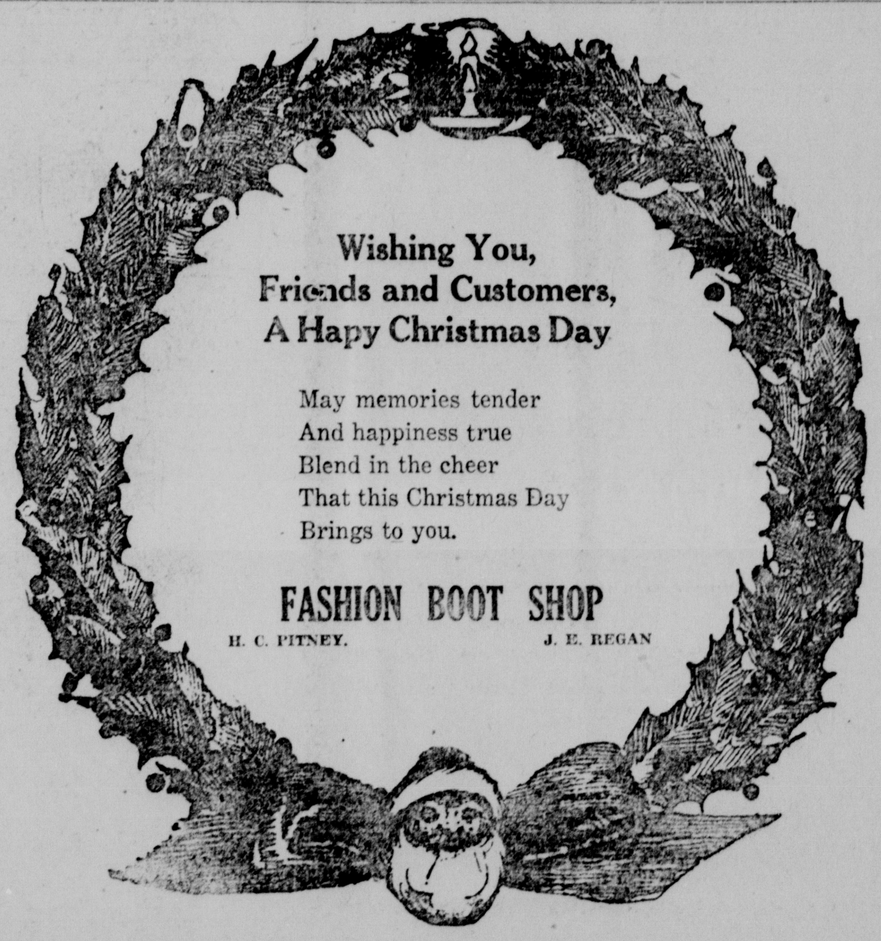


SINCERE WISHES

We know of no better way to extend the season's good fellowship to our many friends and customers than throught this public card.

If we possessed a Magic Wand or Aladdin's Lamp we would see that your stockings were brimful of good health, successful business and unlimited happiness; but not possessing this power, we can only wish for you these things—but if that will help, we send you the sincerest wishes of our hearts.

WILBUR LUMBER CO.



PURE PORK SAUSAGE PURE PORK SAUSAGE

I have opened my Slaughtering Plant in North Dixon and am making an absolutely All Pure Pork Sausage and Home-made Liver Pudding which can be had at the following stores: J. Richardson's, Highway Cash Grocery, Sproul's Grocery, Schuck & Bates, Royal Coffee & Cheese House, Dixon Grocery, Glessner's Vegetable Store, Schrock's Grocery, Kellar's Grocery, Curran Bros., Paulis & Christos, Fifth Street.

THE HOME-MADE LIVER PUDDING can also be had at the following markets: Chiverton's, J. J. Broscoviak, Vest's, LaFever's, Bishop Grocery and Eastman's Store, West First Street.

If you want a Real Pork product call for my goods. The hams and shoulders are used in the sausage making it the best. A trial will convince you.
Also Dressed Hogs by the half or whole.
Pure Country Lard, 50 lb can, lb. 19c
Also Dress Hogs for anybody and make sausage.
If you want a Quarter of Beef I will get it for you.

W. W. TESCHENDORFF
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Public Sale

At the Brooks Farm

Eight miles south of Dixon; seven miles west of Amboy, and mile north ¾ Mile West of Peoria Road, on

MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 1927

Commencing at 10:30 o'clock

Consisting of the following described property:

4—HEAD OF HORSES—4

One brown horse, 10 years old; grey mare, 12 years old; grey horse 11 years old and bay mare, 13 years old, one team of mules.

40—HEAD OF CATTLE—40

Consisting of 20 head of milking cows; 6 heavy springers; five 2-year-olds, bred; 5 yearlings; 4 calves and 3-year old bull, pure bred Brown Swiss, with papers.

FARM MACHINERY

Fordson; tandem disc; 8 foot disc; 14-inch Oliver tractor gang plow nearly new International cylinder hay loader and side delivery rake and tedder; McCormick binder and mower; Hayes corn planter; nearly new Endgate seeder and 16 in. walking plow 3 combination; 1 riding and 1 walking corn plow; some mixed hay; galvanized chicken coops and waterers; lumber wagon; truck and rack; 16-inch walking plow; garden plow; Great Western manure spreader; harness and miscellaneous articles; also Stover grinder.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

Stove, dining table, chairs, sideboard, bed and other articles.

TERMS OF SALE—All sums of $10 and under cash, over that amount a credit will be given of 12 months to purchaser by giving a good bankable note with approved security bearing 7% interest from date of sale. 2 per cent discount for cash on all time sales. No property to be removed until terms of sale are complied with.

A. F. BROOKS

JOHN POWERS and NATE DULEN, Auctioneers.
ROBERT WARNER, Clerk.

Free Lunch by Fulfs Bros. at Noon.



Bill Grimm's Progress by H.C. WITWER

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SYNOPSIS

Bill Grimm, a taxi-driver of Fairfax Falls, has become very well acquainted indeed with Barbara Baxter, a federal agent whom he helps to capture Jack Fairfax, a wealthy bounder, in the act of bootlegging. Fairfax is arrested, but due to Bill's generous pleas and assistance with bail, is let off. Bill comes to New York and is implicated in a bank robbery, but is cleared through Barbara. Pansy Pilkington, Bill's friend, now in the movies, persuades him to get a job at the studio.

I couldn't find Pansy, but I did excavate her director friend, Mr. Puttee. From then on I had lots of luck and all of it bad!

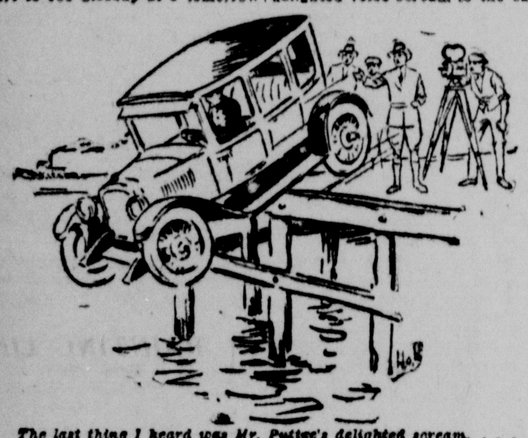
Mr. Putti gazed at my taxi as if hypnotized, and then he began to slap his hands together and laugh his head off. He called over his assistant, Joe Closeup, and some more laughter was distributed. The yes-men heard the famous director's guffaws and hastened to perform their duties, rushing up and nodding agreement with everything he said. I think that was the studio where they once shot a guy down in cold blood for saying "No."

"I can see a thousand feet of legitimate hokum in that grotesque conveyance!" chortles Mr. Puttee to a chorus of yeses. "Boy—come here. How much do I have to put on the fine for that mechanical bon mot of yours?"

"It's priceless," I says. "But I ain't. I go with the taxi, and you can have us both for seven-fifty the day and cakes."

I remembered that was the wages Pansy had mentioned.

"Sold!" hollers Mr. Puttee. "Report to Joe Closeup at 8 tomorrow morning, and may the Lord have mercy on your soul!"



The last thing I heard was Mr. Puttee's delighted scream. . . .

Thus, gentle reader, I became a full fledged actor overnight.

Ooo-la-la, how I paid for that!

Of course Barbara was surprised and thrilled. She invited me up for dinner that night to tell her all about it, and I spent most of the day wishing I'd told her the truth. I knew I'd have to supply some details as to what stunts I was going to do for Mr. Puttee, and I also knew that the more I let my imagination loose the worse the showdown would be for me.

Within five minutes after I entered the apartment where Barbara lived with her aunt I thought she was pretty frigid to a gentleman she'd asked to dine. The line which usually made her laugh flopped dismally that night, and my attempts to keep the conversation going was first class failures. Most of Barbara's comments was yes and no and anything but nourishing. Finally she says:

"I met a friend of yours downtown this afternoon."

"Well, you look none the worse for the experience," I says. "Who was it?"

"Pansy Pilkington," she answers coldly, with a odd, thin smile.

"Oh—yes," I says, a bit uneasy at her steady gaze. "Pansy's been in New York for quite a while. She's in the movies too. I meant to tell you—"

What I did tell Barbara was that if she'd trip over to the studio the next day I'd show her whether I was a "stunt man" or just a extra. She said she'd come and I win a victory which was to nearly cost me my life.

Well, after shooting a few scenes in the studio we all dashed down to one of the score of sleepy little villages which dots the shore of Long Island Sound. Mr. Puttee's assistant, Joe Closeup, had pasted a funny mustache on me and made me up to look as tough as a life sentence. I felt like a real trouper which had been in the movies for years, but I'd of felt even better if Mr Puttee hadn't insisted that Barbara ride in his car going to the town we was to work at. Pansy's feelings was split between anger at Mr. Puttee watching Barbara like a hawk and enjoyment at me watching him the same way!

The scene we was to take was to be shot on the end of a dock and went like thus:

Launcelot Fishbaum, the leading man, has hired my comical taxi to catch a boat. We're late, and when we reach the pier I run the taxi right through the gates, scattering extras right and left. Then my motor is supposed to stop dead, and I can't get it going again. Launcelot Fishbaum jumps out of the cab in a rage and without paying me rushes to the end of the dock and hires a motor boat to catch the liner he's missed. I get my engine going again and run the cab right to the water's edge on the wharf and stand there hollering for my fare and shaking my fist after him till I'm told to stop. The carpenters had put up a wooden safety barrier so's I wouldn't go off into the water when I run my cab to the edge.

Well, we rehearsed that a half dozen times, and I done fine, according to all accounts. Mr. Puttee had fixed a seat for Barbara near the cameras and away from the yokels, which had turned out en masse to see a movie being made before their eyes.

With Launcelot Fishbaum inside, I run my taxi right through the closed gates of the wharf, missing the extras by dumb luck. As instructed, I pretended the motor went dead on me, and Launcelot got out and run to get his boat. Immediately I hop back to the wheel of my cab and start after him. I done better than that; I caught up with him! Launcelot cursed and run wildly, and I drove the same way. Mr. Puttee howled madly through his megaphone for me to slow up, and there was some female shrieks when I bumped Launcelot with the front of my cab. The handsome milk fed leading man leaped nimbly and terrifiedly out of my way, forgetting all about what he was supposed to do, but distinctly remembering to save his life. "Now," I says to myself grimly, "I'll show Barbara Baxter whether I'm a high class stunt man or not!"

With the safety barrier looming up over my mudguards, I stepped on the gas, crashed through it and buried myself and my cab to the hilt in Long Island Sound! The last thing I heard was Mr. Puttee's delighted voice scream to the camera men to keep on cranking. If you've saw that picture, gentle reader, you know now it wasn't faked.

I came back to life in a hospital, as weak as a drunkard's alibi, and the first mortal I see is Mr. Puttee bending over me.

"How's my taxi?" I whispered faintly, always thinking of others first.

"I'm sorry to say it's dead, my boy," he says, patting my dizzy head. "The unfortunate equipage is lying in fifteen feet of very wet water, and it's useless to grapple for the body. However, I'll see to it that the company rewards you handsomely for the loss of that juggernaut and for giving me five hundred feet of comedy that will knock 'em off their seats! What was wrong—did you lose control of the cab?"

"No," I says, with a feeble grin. "I lost control of myself!"

He was still staring at me and muttering something about me being double cockoo when Barbara and Pansy elbowed him away from my bedside. Then Pansy done a fade-out with Mr. Puttee, who was waiting for her.

"Bill," says Barbara softly as she sits down beside me, "why did you risk your life like that?"

"I told you I was hired to do stunts," I says, feeling like the Patsy I was, "and I didn't want you to think I was a four-flusher. If you don't take this ring now I'm going back there and commence diving for my cab!"

She hesitated, but finally slipped the diamond on her finger, but she tried to avoid making it mean anything by remarking nervously that she'd keep it so I wouldn't lose it or try it on any more girls' fingers, like I done with Pansy.

The medico comes along then, and I find I'm only suffering from a wrenched shoulder and being the next thing to drowned, so I ought to be able to leave this trap the next day.

"What will you do then?" Barbara asked me when he passed on.

"I'm going to hunt up Jack Fairfax and get back the two grand I loaned him," I says. "He's probably been staked by his father by now, and with $2,000 I can quit this clowning and make a fresh start."

"Bill," says Barbara, "don't bank too heavily on Fairfax. You should have let him go to jail as I wanted you to do. My superiors have informed me that Fairfax has gone to them with a tale that both you and myself were involved in the bootlegging ring at Fairfax Falls. He declares we simply made him the goat and that was why we both asked clemency for him and you paid his fine!"

Just a nice boy, that Fairfax what?

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE OF FILING FINAL SETTLEMENT.
State of Illinois, Lee County,—ss.
Estate of John W. Payne, deceased.

Public notice is hereby given, that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of John W. Payne, deceased, will attend before the County Court of Lee county at the Court House in Dixon on the 3rd day of January 1927, next, for the purpose of making a final settlement of said estate, at which time and place I will ask for an order of distribution, and will also ask to be discharged. All persons interested are notified to attend.

December 18th, A. D. 1926.
JOSEPH F. PAYNE,
Administrator of said Estate.
John E. Erwin, Attorney.
Dec 18-24

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.
Estate of Missouri A. Stephens, deceased.

The undersigned, having been appointed administratrix of the estate of Missouri A. Stephens, deceased hereby gives notice that she will appear before the County Court of Lee County, at the Court House in Dixon, at the February term, on the first Monday in February, 1927, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted.

All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 8th day of December, A. D. 1926.
LEILA S. COWLES,
Administratrix.
Henry C. Warner, Attorney.
Dec 18-24-31

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.
Estate of Roxie Kellogg, deceased.

The undersigned, having been appointed executor of the last Will and Testament of Roxie Kellogg, late of the County of Lee, and State of Illinois, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Lee County, at the Court House in Dixon, at the February term, on the first Monday in February next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted.

All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 8th day of December, A. D. 1926.
A. CLINTON WARNER,
Executor.
Dec 18-24-31

CHANCERY.
State of Illinois, Lee County,—ss.
In the Circuit Court, January term, A. D. 1927.
Frank P. Stabler, Complainant
vs.
Frank A. Greenfield, et. al.
Defendants.
IN CHANCERY.

Affidavit of non-residence of the above defendant Frank A. Greenfield having been filed in the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of Lee County, notice is therefore hereby given to the said non-resident defendants that the Complainant filed his bill of complaint in said Court on the Chancery side therof, on the 3rd day of December, A. D. 1926, and that thereupon a Summons issued out of said Court, returnable on the first Monday of the month of January, A. D. 1927, as is by law required; which cause is now pending and undetermined in said court.

Dixon, Illinois, Dec. 3, 1926.
E. S. ROSECRANS, Clerk.
H. A. Brooks, Complainant's Solicitor. Dec 3-10-17-24

Broken Threads

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by Clifford L. Webb and Ernest Lynn

WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE

To the home of PROF and MOLLIE ELWELL in Camdenville, Ind., one night in October, 1898, comes MARTHA DALTON, a nurse, bearing a woman who had fainted on a train.

Elwell is an artist. He has a son, JIM, aged 5. Late that night the woman bears twin girls and dies without revealing her name.

The story then moves forward 18 years. The twins, now growing to beautiful womanhood, have been adopted and named MARGARET and ELIZABETH. They have been nicknamed RUSTY and BETTY.

Jim Elwell enlists in the World War. He then discovers one of the twins is in love with him.

Put in charge of a machine gun unit, he is shell-shocked and, through a mixup, is registered as JOHN POWELL. He is removed to an American hospital and reported dead. The family gets the news of his death and is heartbroken.

It is then discovered that the father of the twins is dead and that they are the nieces of the wealthy JOHN CLAYTON of Indianapolis. They all go to the Clayton home for a visit. Word then reaches the Elwells that Jim is alive.

NOW BEGIN THE STORY

CHAPTER XXIII

THE message that Prof Elwell opened was from the office of the secretary of war in Washington. It read:

"You are hereby informed that the report you received from the war office in January announcing the death by shell explosion in France on November 7 of your son, James T. Elwell, was a mistake. He is alive and confined in Hospital No. 3 on Long Island, N. Y., but is very ill. Would advise that you proceed there at once, if possible. Ask to see Nurse Nellie M. Downing on your arrival at the hospital."

He looked up from the typewritten words on the yellow sheet of paper and his heart gave a great surge.

Mollie was standing in front of him, the dark shadow of a new fear creeping into her tired-looking eyes.

"The girls?" she began with jerky articulation. "Has one been—has something—" she stopped, the question hanging.

"No, dear," said Prof Elwell huskily as he wound his arms around her with a tenderness born of deep emotion, "it's the message of hope and cheer and gladness that will put the sunshine back into the heart of my Mollie. So get hold of yourself, old pal of mine, because you're goin' to hear something great!"

He took a deep breath. "All ready? Well"—and he paused once more—"Jim is alive! The report of his death was a mistake. He's in a hospital on Long Island, New York, but he has been very ill, so the message states."

Joy rarely kills, and it didn't kill Mollie Elwell, although her husband felt her body slump for just an instant. Then it quickened again and she reached for the telegram in his hand and read it with staring eyes.



"About Jim?" Rusty screamed. "But no—" her face fell.

"God is good to us, dear," said Mollie Elwell a minute later. She spoke very softly and a prayer of gratitude lay in the tones of her voice. Then a new shadow crept into her eyes and darkened for a moment the glad light that the good news had brought.

"The message, Prof," she said slowly, "states that he is very ill. We must go to him, Prof, at once. We must start tonight. We'll call up the girls and then catch the first train. Oh, Jim!" And then the storm broke and the rain came down in torrents.

Prof Elwell let her cry. Himself he walked over to the window and looked out on a world made suddenly bright. The sun was warm and a soft breeze blew in. He said, "Thank God!" and walked back to Mollie.

But her storm of tears was an April shower, a brief downpour through a rainbow in the sky, a shower that freshened and lifted up the drooping flowers in the garden of Mollie Elwell's life.

What a God-given thing, Prof was thinking, was hope—the one thing that springs eternal in the human heart. "Without it life would be a shuck and a weary existence and an irksome drag."

To Mollie, when she had at last lifted her head, he said, "We must call up John Clayton on long distance and let him know immediately so he can tell the twins. Think of their joy when they get the news. I'd give anything to be there when they hear it."

John Clayton, summoned by the butler to answer a long distance call, heard Prof Elwell's voice and then so far forgot his dignity as to call out in a voice that reverberated throughout the big house, "Margaret! Elizabeth! Come a-running!"

They came, on the double quick. Clayton turned away from the phone briefly to tell them Prof was on the wire with good news.

"About Jim?" Rusty screamed. "But no—" her face fell.

"I'm not saying," said John Clayton. "Talk to him yourself."

And over the phone Rusty and Betty, sharing the earpiece, heard from the lips of Prof Elwell that Jim was alive.

"And in a hospital up in New York, dears. A mistake was made, and they've just found it out."

The girls cried out in one voice: "Can't we go up to see him?"

Prof Elwell was afraid they couldn't. "He's very sick, girls, and they think it best up there that his mother and father come alone."

The twins were disconsolate for a moment or two, during which John Clayton, looking at both of them very keenly, sought to discover which one it was that was the only girl for Jim Elwell.

But he failed to find what he was looking for. He had seen both of them put their hands up very quickly when they learned the news—Betty to her heart, Rusty to her throat. Both faces had grown suddenly pale and both voices had fallen to awed whispers. Both of them when Prof Elwell had hung up seemed in a daze and talked incoherently to their uncle amid a profuse flow of tears.

"After a while," said John Clayton, their uncle, they could both take a trip to Long Island and see Jim, and he would go with them. "But we must wait until he is on the road to recovery. We don't know how sick he is."

Again he looked at them keenly, trying to pierce the little mystery that hung about these fascinating girls. But he was an honorable gentleman, and he honored the quixotic wish of the boy who so suddenly had been snatched back from the grave.

He had seen a sudden interchange of looks between the twins, though, and in his mind he had formed a guess. But that guess, he told himself, was only a guess and was a secret with himself.

"And now, my dears, your old uncle is going to blow you to a party to celebrate the glad news." He called the butler, "Three seats at the liveliest show in town and a table for dinner."

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Prof Elwell went to the bank and drew out five hundred dollars. A little later he and his wife, with one suitcase each, boarded a train for Chicago and arrived in that city with only twenty minutes to spare in which to catch the Twentieth Century for New York.

He shoved his watch back in his pocket. "Let's go!" he shouted, and hurled the suitcases into a taxicab. Mollie hopped in ahead of him and Prof Elwell implored the driver to get them to the New York Central train in time if he had to smash every traffic law in Chicago. The driver grinned, slammed the door shut and they were on their way again.

"Goodness!" panted Mollie when she had regained her breath. "I didn't know I could run so fast!"

Prof patted her hand.

"There's many a race, and a good one, still left in the old gray mare, and you can bet on that," he observed with jocular air, for Prof was feeling happy now and he knew his Mollie was happy, too. The tender smile on her lips and the light in her eyes told of the song her heart was singing. She looked out the window at the passing throngs and wondered if among these women was a mother whose son had fought and died in France. . . .

But her son, her Jim, had not died in France after all. He was alive and waiting for her. Brief hours more and she would feel his arms around her neck, his kiss on her lips. Everything would be all right again.

They would bring him back to the old home, she told herself. The girls would be there, and she would learn which one was his pal and his sweetheart, too. They would be married and everybody would live happily ever after. Oh, it was like a fairy story to Mollie Elwell, sitting in the racing taxicab with a happy smile trembling on her lips. Life had been so dark of late and now the clouds had lifted and the glorious sunshine of happiness was bathing her in its warm beneficence . . .

She did not know that she had suddenly exchanged positions with a mother in Newark, New Jersey, and that the discovery that Jim Elwell was alive had brought with it the news that John Powell was dead.

Nor did she know what the little woman in Newark and the girl named Helen Craig knew. She did not know that the young soldier who had been ticketed as John Powell lay on a cot in the Long Island hospital looking on a world with dumbly staring eyes, unspeaking, unthinking, unmoving—a living dead man.

Old Lady Destiny was still pulling the strings. And the lady at times has quite a perverse way about her. Sometimes she pulls them one way, sometimes another. She is not one to gamble on with safety; she doesn't always run true to form.

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Leaving Prof and Mollie Elwell in their taxi rushing to catch the Twentieth Century to New York, we move back a little distance in the story to piece together some of its broken threads. It becomes necessary to introduce one Mike Hennegan, ex-soldier of Uncle Sam's army in France. . . .

Mike, be it whispered, was Irish, and he looked the part. He was born that way, too, and the event was an important one in the region of Shamrock Corners, taking place on the first day in April of 1893, in the back end of Finnegan's Flat, which looked down into Pokerdice Alley.

It is related of Mike by some of his humorous and unveracious comrades in arms that just a week after that April Fool day when he came into the world his mother took him out on the back porch to give him a look at the scenery stretching way across the roof-tops toward Brooklyn Bridge.

But Mike, so the story goes, fooled her. He looked down instead.

"Sufferin' cats, Ma!" he yipped, indicating the scene below. "Take a slant down in the alley! The gang's all there and they're shootin' craps. Slip us two bits and I'll go down an' make a cleanup. I'll buy you a new washtub and the old man a new growler."

From all of which it may be gathered that Mike had a weakness for rolling the bones. Which was true. But on the day we are introducing Mike he met an old friend, and this contrived to piece together one of the broken threads. The friend was a nurse named Nellie Downing, who had administered to a shell-shocked youth in France.

(To Be Continued)

Mike Hennegan plays an important part, as the reader learns in the next chapter.

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Sacramento, Cal., —(AP)— F. J. Lewis, state storekeeper, has discovered a simple way of making bowstrings, and has succeeded in shortening the process by half.

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Robert Brechon.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little boy and my papa and mamma are going to move to Dixon soon, so I would like you to bring me a coaster and a pair of roller skates, so I can be like the rest of the little boys when I go to town. And bring my little playmates Willard Fell an automobile and Willie Gugerty a pop gun and nuts and candy. Your little friend, Harold Meurer, R. 1, Amboy.

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DEKALB FARMER STRANGLED WHEN BODY IS CAUGHT

Revolving Shaft on Corn Elevator is Cause of Death

DeKalb—Dawson Kerns, 50, farm hand, of the north end of the county, was killed Tuesday while unloading corn into a crib by means of an elevator, when his clothes became entangled in a shaft, bringing about strangulation.

Kerns, according to the testimony given by Ralph Howison, the man's employer, had been employed on the farm for about ten weeks. Tuesday morning he was given the task of unloading some corn into the crib by means of an elevator. While the gasoline engine, operating the elevator was in motion, Kern went to the top of the crib to see that the corn was leaving the spout as it should.

It is believed that as he climbed to the top of the crib his jacket became caught on a small lug or nut on the shaft. At any rate, his jacket was found wrapped tightly about the shaft, pulling it very tight about the man's neck. Twenty minutes after he had started work, Mr. Howison stated he was called to the crib, and there found Kern hanging from the shaft, and apparently dead. His face was coal black.

The gasoline engine had stopped, as it was of small power, preventing the body from being horribly mutilated. Had the power been sufficient, the body might have been whipped around and round by the revolving shaft, and made hardly reconizable.

Mr. Howison told the coroner and jury that he proceeded to remove the body after he had notified the proper authorities of the death of the man.

Kern, it is said, has been in the vicinity but a short time, and is believed to have come from Kentucky, although little could be learned of his identity. Mrs. Kern it is said, has been dead for several years. There is one son surviving that is known, while there may be other relatives.

87,000 Letters Thru Postoffice in a Day

Bloomington—Eighty-seven thousand letters circulated at Bloomington postoffice Tuesday. That was the new highwater mark recorded by the machine which has been kept humming all week.



ABE MARTIN

I follered th' Halls-Mills case till I come t' Willie Stevens' picture, an' then I dropped it. I guess th' reason so few folks think fer 'emselves is 'cause th' hate t' be outnumbered.

It's fine t' belong t' lots o' different things, but don't forget when joinin' that ever'thing that's organized is run by two or three people. There's nothin' new or wonderful about Mussolini, 'cept he bosses a little bigger area than's generally bossed by our own politicians.

POLO NEWS NOTES

Polo—The American Legion and auxiliary will hold a carnival at their town hall beginning Christmas night and ending New Years eve. The opening night will be a Christmas party with vaudeville, musical numbers and a short comedy, "The Operation." Following the program each evening dancing will be enjoyed. On Monday night the Polo band will give a concert. Tuesday evening the Masonic minstrels will present a very entertaining program. Wednesday evening there will be a style show, illustrating the various costumes from the time of the Indian to the present day. Thursday evening, the Rebekah lodge will present, "In a restaurant." Friday evening there will be a New Year's eve party with a mardi gras, midnight supper and a general good time.

Miss Lillian Lilson left Wednesday for her home in Farmer City where she will spend her vacation.

Rev. T. O. Maguire spent Tuesday in Rockford.

Miss Mable Samsel spent Wednesday in Freeport.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Spaulding and son spent Wednesday in Freeport.

Dr. H. J. McCoy and Dr. W. F. Aydelotte of Dixon were professional callers Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Coffey, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Coffey and children were Dixon shoppers Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Fahrney and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Abt of Dixon attended the Klan bazaar Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Vernon Diehl of Rockford was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Appleby the fore part of the week.

Mrs. Robert Cox and children of Chicago came Tuesday to visit the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Poole.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Langley were Dixon shoppers Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Elias Pyfer and Mrs. George Drenner spent Tuesday afternoon in Dixon.

Howard Klem went to Dixon Tuesday to visit his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Tobias Kroehler.

Miss Lizzie Slater had the misfortune to fall part way down stairs Sunday evening. She was bruised quite badly and shaken up, but no bones were broken.

Frank Savage was taken seriously ill on the milk route Tuesday morning. At the present writing his condition is improved.

A. J. Becker of Freeport was a Polo business caller Wednesday.

Charles Koch of Dixon transacted business in Polo Wednesday.—K.

The Telegraph's classified columns today offer a greater opportunity than ever before to any one seeking work, wanting help or those wishing to sell or buy articles of any kind. Read the classified column every day. tf

Delays Sentencing Young Woman Who Shot Betrayer

New York, Dec. 23—(AP)—Sentence of Mrs. Catherine Denino, 16 year old wife and mother, who pleaded guilty to first degree manslaughter in killing the man she said attacked her when she was 12 years, today was postponed until January 5.

Mrs. Denino was released yesterday from Bellevue Hospitol where she had been under observation. Judge Barrett said today in announcing postponement of the setence that he had not yet had sufficient time to consider the case.

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